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JAB-O-METER
TAKE YOUR SHOT
Feb 4 **42,95,142 doses**
Feb 5 **40,57,946doses**
TOTAL DOSES
1,69,40,55,710

NATIONWIDE	FEB 4	FEB 5
Fresh cases	1,49,394	1,27,952
Recoveries	2,46,674	2,30,814
Deaths	1,072	1,059

KARNATAKA	FEB 4	FEB 5
Fresh cases	14,950	12,009
Recoveries	40,599	25,854
Deaths	53	50

NUMBER OF UNDERTRIALS IN INDIA'S PRISONS INCREASES

Due to high pendency rates in courts, the share of undertrials confined in prison for longer than a year and more has risen

MUCH HIGHER THAN THE WORLD AVERAGE

At least 6 in 10 prisoners in our nation are undertrials, while the average across the world is much less, 2 in 10. According to data from the National Crime Records Bureau, the occupancy rate of prisons in our country is 117.6%, and in states such as Uttar Pradesh and Sikkim, this is as high as 176.5% and 157.3% respectively

FALL IN HUMAN TRAFFICKING CONVICTIONS

- Meanwhile, the conviction rate in human trafficking cases has been coming down over the past four years, data from the Union Ministry of Home Affairs has revealed recently
- While the conviction rate was 27.8% in 2016, it has gradually dipped over the years and saw a steep fall to 10.6% in 2020

>80,000

UNDERTRIALS IN U.P. (THE MOST POPULOUS STATE), THE HIGHEST IN THE NATION

CHENNAI • MADURAI • VIJAYAWADA • BENGALURU • KOCHI • HYDERABAD • VISAKHAPATNAM • COIMBATORE • KOZHIKODE • THIRUVANANTHAPURAM • BELAGAVI • BHUBANESWAR • SHIVAMOGGA • MANGALURU • TIRUPATI • TIRUCHY • TIRUNELVELI • SAMBALPUR • HUBBALLI • DHARMAPURI • KOTTAYAM • KANNUR • VILLUPURAM • KOLLAM • TADEPALLIGUDEM • NAGAPATTINAM • THRISSUR • KALABURAGI

Centre to repatriate tainted power, agri secys

SHAHID FARIDI @ New Delhi

UNION power secretary Alok Kumar and agriculture secretary Sanjay Agarwal may soon be repatriated to their cadre state Uttar Pradesh, where the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) has sought sanction to investigate them in a ₹2,268 crore provident fund scam.

Sources said the order for their repatriation may come "any time" as the Union government does not want to face the embarrassment of having its top officers investigated for corruption. The Centre, therefore, wants to shift the action to the state.

The CBI has sought the sanction to probe the two officers in a case relating to illegally investing the provident fund of Uttar Pradesh Power Corporation Ltd (UPPCL) employees in a private company, Dewan Housing Finance Ltd (DHFL), which was later accused of siphoning off ₹31,000 crore of bank loans through a web of shell companies. The UPPCL invested a total of ₹4,122 crore in short-term fixed deposit (FD) schemes of DHFL. Out of this, ₹1,854 crore was received on maturation of FDs, but ₹2,268 crore is yet to be recovered.

Alok Kumar

Sanjay Agarwal

Sanjay Agarwal was UPPCL chairman from 2013 to mid-2017, and part of UPPCL employees' PF money was invested in DHFL during this period. The investment in DHFL was in violation of government guidelines that expressly said PF money should not be invested in a financial institution that is not a scheduled bank. Agarwal was succeeded in UPPCL by Alok Kumar, who continued investing in DHFL. Kumar remained at the helm of UPPCL for almost two years.

The case was handed over to the CBI by the Yogi Adityanath government in March 2020. Before that, the matter was investigated by the economic offences wing of the Uttar Pradesh Police. About a dozen people, including former UPPCL managing director A P Mishra and other top officials, have been arrested so far.

Besides Kumar and Agarwal, the CBI has sought sanction from the Uttar Pradesh government to investigate another IAS officer, Aparna U, who is at present serving as secretary in the government. Aparna had also served as MD of UPPCL.

As per recent changes made by the Government of India in the standard operating procedure for investigating public servants, the probe agency is required to first verify that a case is made out against a government servant before seeking sanction for proceeding against him. The CBI is, therefore, convinced these officers are prima facie involved in the PF scam.

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Ramanuja is a Guru for all: PM

ENS @ Hyderabad

PRIME Minister **Narendra Modi** on Saturday inaugurated a 216-foot-tall statue of Ramanujacharya in Hyderabad and said the life of the 11th century Sri Vaishnavite saint showed there was no conflict between reforms and our traditions.

Dedicating the 'Statue of Equality' to the world, Modi recalled how Emperumanar, through his Vishishtadvaita philosophy, brought society together and added this was the reason why B R Ambedkar used to tell people to learn from Ramanuja's teachings.

"Ramanujacharya ji is a Guru for all and also a shining inspiration for India's unity and integrity. Born in the South, his influence can be seen on the whole of India, from South to North and East to West," the PM noted. P5

The inauguration ceremony of the 216-foot-tall Statue of Equality, commemorating the 11th century Vaishnavite saint Sri Ramanujacharya, in Hyderabad on Saturday

'Indisposed' KCR skips Modi event

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Hyderabad

TELANGANA Chief Minister **K Chandrashekar Rao**, who is trying to stitch together a new coalition of opposition parties, was conspicuous by his absence at PM Narendra Modi's events in the state capital on Saturday. While sources claimed Rao skipped the programmes because he had fever, political observers believe it was a message to the TRS leader's would-be allies that battle lines are drawn between him and Modi. In fact, the state government had nominated Animal Husbandry Minister Talasani Srinivas Yadav two days ago to receive Modi at the airport. P5

Govt makes uniforms must in govt PU colleges

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

IN light of the hijab row, the government has officially ordered all students studying at government schools and PU colleges to wear uniforms.

A formal order issued by the Department of Pre-University Education (DPUE) stated that students at government schools and PU colleges will have to mandatorily wear uniforms. Private school students will follow rules as specified by respective management authorities.

The government order cited multiple directions from Bombay, Kerala and Madras high courts and Section 133 of the Karnataka Education Act, 1983 to make uniforms mandatory.

If no code is outlined by private colleges, then the uniform must be such that it maintains equality and unity and does not disrupt public order.

Earlier in the day, Congress leader and MP Rahul Gandhi came out in support of protesting girl students, tweeting, "Don't rob daughters of India of education. Ma Saraswati gives knowledge to all. She doesn't differentiate." P4

EXPRESS READ

Religious orator Ibrahim Sutar passes away at 81

BENGALURU: Renowned religious orator and Padma Shri awardee Ibrahim Sutar, who was known as Kannada Kabir, died after cardiac arrest in Bagalkot on Saturday. The government has ordered that his last rites will be performed with full state honours. He suffered a heart attack and was rushed to hospital, but could not be saved, sources from his family said. He was 81 and is survived by his wife, a son and two daughters. P5

Make 'father's name' column optional: Kids of former Devadasis

BALA CHAUHAN @ Bengaluru

A child of a former Devadasi puts up a poster against the social evil which was banned, but still continues | CHILDREN OF INDIA FOUNDATION

THE children of former Devadasis, most of whom are Dalits, are bound together in the common suffering, of not knowing who their father is and the agony of their mother's ignominious livelihood forced upon her in the name of God.

Their questions are existential, but the answers are complex, evasive, and cruel. They either evoke silence and emotional breakdown from their mothers or abuse by society, which brands them as children of prostitutes. The crisis of identity is a huge challenge for children of former Devadasis, who have now turned to the government to help them overcome their dilemma by making the "name of father" column optional in application forms. P5

ONE VILLAGE'S GREEN REVOLUTION P2

WITH THIS ISSUE
INDIA'S MOST POWERFUL COMEDIAN
PLUS 12 PAGES MAGAZINE

LITTLE CHAMPS

India won the Under 19 World Cup beating England by 4 wickets. They chased down the target of 190 in 47.4 overs

Make it five

Having won the Championship previously in 1998, 2008, 2012 and 2018, India won their fifth title

Rew's Revival

After losing 7 wickets for just 91 runs, James Rew led England's rescue act with a magnificent 116-ball 95

Raj Angad Bawa took 5/31 in the U-19 World Cup final against England at Sir Vivian Richards stadium in Antigua on Saturday | BCCI

India last chased a target in an U-19 World Cup final in 2018 against Australia as Prithvi Shaw led them to glory

Lata Mangeshkar's health worsens

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mumbai

LEGENDARY singer Lata Mangeshkar, who was admitted to Mumbai's Breach Candy Hospital earlier last month after testing positive for Covid-19, has been put on ventilator again after her condition deteriorated.

Dr Pratit Samdani of Breach Candy Hospital, who has been treating the 92-year-old singer, said she was "currently in ICU and has once again been put on ventilator support as her condition worsened and she will remain under observation". The doctor added that she is under aggressive therapy and that they were continuously observing her.

The singer's team has actively been sharing updates on her health in order to dismiss any rumours. She is being treated for pneumonia as well. Mangeshkar was hospitalised on January 11 after testing positive for Covid but her condition had improved in late January. This had been confirmed by Maharashtra Health Minister Rajesh Tope, who had said: "She was on ventilator for some days, but is better now. She is no more on ventilator. Only oxygen is being given and she is responding to the treatment."

25 YEARS LBSIM SILVER JUBILEE
NURTURING SOCIALLY SENSITIVE BUSINESS LEADERS

LAL BAHADUR SHASTRI
NATIONAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE: 2022

BHARAT RATNA
SHRI LAL BAHADUR SHASTRI
(1904-1966)

NOMINATIONS INVITED

Nominations are invited for the **23rd Lal Bahadur Shastri National Award for Excellence : 2022** which honours each year a distinguished Indian, residing either in India or abroad, for his/her sustained individual contributions and outstanding achievements of high professional order and excellence in the field of management, public administration, public affairs, education, institution building, art & culture and sports. The Awardee will be selected by a jury comprising of eminent persons.

The Award is given every year on October 1, the eve of the birth anniversary of Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri. The honour carries an award of Rs. Five Lakh plus a citation and a plaque and the awardee is designated as Lal Bahadur Shastri fellow.

Nominations may be sent in confidence
Latest by March 31, 2022

Nomination form may be obtained from the Director,
Lal Bahadur Shastri Institute of Management,
Plot No. 11/7, Sector 11, Dwarka, New Delhi-110075 or can be downloaded from **website :** www.lbsim.ac.in,
Fax: 91-11-25307799,
Tel.: 011-25307700 (100 Lines), **Email:** director@lbsim.ac.in

EARLIER RECIPIENTS OF THE AWARD

Dr. Randeep Guleria	2021
Smt. Sudha Murthy	2020
Dr. (Smt.) Manju Sharma	2019
Shri Fali S. Nariman	2018
Shri Bindeshwar Pathak	2017
Dr. Gopal Krishan Gandhi	2016
Dr. Prannoy Roy	2015
Dr. Apathukatha S. Pillai	2014
Dr. R.A. Badwe	2013
Smt. Tessy Thomas	2012
late Prof. Yash Pal	2011
Smt. Aruna Roy	2010
Shri Sunil Bharti Mittal	2009
Dr. E. Sreedharan	2008
Dr. M.S. Swaminathan	2007
Dr. Naresh Trehan	2006
late Dr. C.P. Srivastava	2005
Smt. Ela Ramesh Bhatt	2004
Dr. R.A. Mashelkar	2003
Shri N.R. Narayana Murthy	2002
Shri Sam Pitroda	2001
late Prof. C.K. Prahlad	2000

Chairman, LBSIM, Delhi

ALMANAC TODAY
Sunday: 06/02/2022 • Year: Plava • Ayana: Uttharayana
Ritu: Sishira • Masa: Magha • Paksha: Shukla • Tithi: Shashti (Whole day)
Nakshatra: Revathi 8.10 pm • Moon in Mesha Rashi • Rahukaala: 04:30 pm to 06:00 pm
Gulikakala: 03:00 pm to 04:30 pm • Yamaganda: 12:00 pm to 01:30 pmm

WEATHER
MIN 18°C | MAX 29°C
FORECAST
Broken clouds

Sunrise 6.45 am
Sunset 6.22 pm
Moonrise 10.31 am
Moonset 11.04 pm

ONE VILLAGE'S GREEN REVOLUTION

Durgada Nagenahalli in Tumakuru district has transformed itself from an arid past to a bountiful present, with its residents adopting principles of sustainability

"I took up commercial crop cultivation, by sowing tamarind, cashew and mango as the NICRA project helped with innovative rainwater harvesting. I have started reaping profits over the last three years. Also, cashew suits our region" — Lokesh, a farmer

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI @ Tumakuru

DURGADA Nagenahalli, a once arid, nondescript village just 20 km from Tumakuru city, has gradually blossomed into a green paradise, thanks to the efforts of its residents.

For a region, otherwise described by its barrenness and rocky terrain, the methodical approach adopted by the villagers since 2011 towards sustainable cultivation techniques and water conservation and management has changed the fortunes of the village for the best. Today, Durgada Nagenahalli is lush and welcoming. Its people and livestock are blessed with abundant green cover, nourished by lakes and ponds brimming with water from the recent rains and the nearby hillocks.

Decade of green sprouts

It was in February of 2011 that the National Innovations in Climate Resilient Agriculture (NICRA), a network project of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), was launched. It was promptly implemented by the Krishi Vigyan Kendra at Hirehalli through community participation.

At a time when the governments had been planning to implement multi-crore irrigation and drinking water projects, these small initiatives worked wonders for sustainability. The Union Government, which had contributed up to Rs 1 crore for the project, picked the Yelerampura Gram Panchayat for a national award for successfully implementing the project, and also presented a cash prize of Rs 3 lakh to be shared between KVK and the gram panchayat, unde which Durgada Nagenahalli falls.

The innovative project led to building livelihoods, including enabling over 100 farmers of Yelerampura GP, Kolalhobli, Koratagere taluk, to take up dairy farming. Trench-cum-bunds and contour bunds were created to help water over 350 hectares of land, benefitting 112 farmers. Around 6,200 cubic metres of water was harvested in just one rainy season. Mixed forestry was taken up by plantnig Melia dubia, Acacia auriculformis, teak and silver oak in trenches across 27 hectares, while dryland horticulture crops -- tamarind, mango (Alphanso), Aonle, cashew and jamun, were planted in over 16.5 hectares.

The project also saw the construction of farm ponds around the village. These ponds helped farmers supplement their irrigation requirements at critical growth stages of their crops and allowed seepage of water into the ground to recharge underground aquifers. In all, 81 new ponds were created, whose total rainwater storage capacity was 24,800 Cu mt benefitting 92 farmers. Percolation ponds were dug to reduce the speed of runoff water from the fields and to recharge the groundwater. Five check dams were built across small nalas to break the flow of water during monsoon and allow it to seep into the soil. Efforts were made to divert water into less-yielding borewells. At the same time, desilting and widening of defunct farm ponds (15), community tanks (3) and check dams dams (8) have been carried out to increase water storage capacity. Two diversion channels of 1,000 metres each were dug to divert the runoff water towards the village lake during the rainy season.

The community was mobilised to adopt water-efficient crops and water management practices.

Drought-tolerant finger millet, short-duration and late-sowing red gram and water-saving aerobic paddy varieties were demonstrated at the village. Around 214 farmers adopted these crops and took up drip and sprinkler irrigation methods, which were demonstrated in over 8 hectares. It ensured judicious use with the overall irrigation efficiency of 80-82%, as compared to 30-50% in flood irrigation.

Mass sensitisation

In all, 46 mass sensitisation and 54 capacity-building programmes were held to create awareness in harvesting rainwater and using it for agriculture in an effective way. The NICRA team conducted training, exposure visits, demonstrations and showcased results to farmers.

"I took up commercial crop cultivation by sowing tamarind, cashew and mango as the NICRA project helped with innovative rainwater harvesting. I have started reaping profits over the last three years. Also, cashew suits our region," remarks Lokesh, a farmer.

A pond at Durgada Nagenahalli, is surrounded by lush vegetation, nourished by rainwater harvesting and other sustainable methods | EXPRESS

SALE OF FARM PRODUCE

The project inspired farmers to set up the Grama Chetana Farmer Producers Company Ltd in 2014. It has been clocking impressive turnovers over the years, with the NABARD expected to provide it with more grants. The firm sells farm produce, manure, fertilisers, and seeds at reasonable prices. "We used to either go to Tumakuru or Madhugiri. Now, the cost of transportation is getting saved, as we are able to get goods at our doorsteps," says Narasaiah, a beneficiary. Mahesh, who worked as the change agent under NICRA, is the president of the company. He has cultivated gooseberry and is now trying to add value to it.

The project has seen the construction of farm ponds around Durgada Nagenahalli with twin objectives -- Firstly, they were designed to help farmers provide supplemental irrigation to crops at critical growth stages; and secondly, to allow maximum seepage of water into the ground so as to recharge underground aquifers. Considering the potential of farm ponds, 81 new ones were created in the village, whose total rainwater storage capacity during the project implementation was 24,800 Cu mt and it has benefited over 92 farmers so far.

PAPER FROM AROUND US

30-year-old Idrees from Shivamogga has carved out an eco-friendly career by producing paper using naturally-sourced materials like plant waste and elephant dung

Shaikh Mohammed Idrees processes fabric to make pulp for paper, at his unit in Hosahalli village of Shivamogga taluk | SHIMOGA NANDAN

RAMACHANDRA V GUNARI @ Shivamogga

AROUND 3,000 years ago, inventors in China and Egypt took communication to the next level by producing paper. It opened up a new world, with people being able to express their thoughts more clearly and preserve the past and present for the future. Similar is the story of 30-year-old **Shaikh Mohammed Idrees** of Hosahalli village in Shivamogga district.

Curiosity, passion and determination pushed this youth to realise his career which he has carved out for himself in a sustainable way. A BSc graduate, Idress produces handmade paper using different kinds of plant waste, elephant dung and more, which has received a good response both in the local market and abroad.

"I was curious to learn how paper was made. I read several books and did my homework. Around three millennia ago, Egyptians developed paper from the pith of the papyrus plant. I used the grinder at my home to make a fine paste of the papyrus plant sourced from my neighbourhood and tried to make paper. I succeeded. Then I tried making paper with banana stems and rice husk," he elaborates on how his journey began. But making paper, he says, is a time-consuming process as it takes 2-3 months to decompose the plants naturally and to break down the legumin content.

"By following the traditional paper-making procedure, including maceration, I initially produced 10 sheets of paper. I sent them to my artist-friends in the UK and other European countries. They encouraged me to produce more to meet their requirements," explains Idrees. So far, he has successfully produced handmade paper using 50 different kinds of plant waste, like cotton, pineapple, mulberry, hemp, banana stem, rice husk, elephant foot grass, bagasse and even elephant dung. He also uses discarded fabric. He says paper made using mulberry and hemp have high folding strength and elasticity and a longer shelf life as it is rich in oil content. The peak of his creativity is the archival quality paper that he produces. "It is used by artists, calligraphists, research scholars and at museums to conserve archives like manuscripts," he says. Elaborating, Idrees says archival quality paper has high-fibre content with high elasticity. Recently, Idrees conserved a letter written by former US President Abraham Lincoln that was in the possession of a private museum in India. He is also engaged in conserving palm-leaf, copper plate and stone inscriptions.

He exports paper to 30 different countries. "People prefer to have diaries made out of handmade paper in the UK and other European countries," he says. Depending on the customers' requirements, Idrees customises the size of archival quality papers besides making 10GSM/15GSM/20GSM paper to repair damaged manuscripts. In an era where advertising is the king, Idrees strongly believes in word-of-mouth publicity for his work and never uses any social media platform to publicise his products. "My principle is to make the best out of waste," he concludes.

MULTIFACETED PERSONALITY

Shaikh Mohammed Idrees has been passionate about celestial bodies since childhood. "When I was in Class 3, I got fascinated looking at the night sky through a pair of binoculars. This pushed me to study about lenses, cameras, binoculars and telescopes," he said. He made a telescope in 2010 using available waste in workshops and is now engaged in making a 1,200 megapixel telescope. He is also making a 10-inch lens for the telescope.

Idrees plays the harmonica, flute, rubab, violin and ney, a traditional Turkish flute-like instrument.

Idrees is a passionate painter too, with his works being exhibited in different cities across India, besides in the UK, the US, Australia and the Middle Eastern countries.

City college looks to ward off Covid funk

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

IN the light of restrictive nature of the pandemic, a Bengaluru college has chosen to encourage students to indulge on their creative side.

Dayananda Sagar PU College is hosting two nation-wide innovation contests open to students from classes 9 to 12. The motive behind the contests is due in part to allow students, who have been restricted for the last two years, to interact with their peers.

"It has been a dark time for students, especially of that age, as it is a vital point of their lives where they develop critical thinking skills and explore the world around them. They have not been able to thanks to the pandemic. We want to encourage students from all over the country to do so," said Dr Kumar H, college director.

The two contests -- one for students of classes 9 and 10, and the other for those in classes 11 and 12 -- encourage students to think of a novel concept and execute it.

The Dayananda Sagar Innovation Design and Execution Award (DS-IDEA) is aimed at students in grade 9 and 10, while the Dr Chandramma Dayananda Sagar Innovation Design and Execution Award (CDS-IDEA) is aimed at grades 11 and 12.

While the competition doesn't limit the number of entries from a school or college, nor the topic that the students choose, students will need to work in teams of two to four.

In addition, to help students get sensitised to issues impacting the environment, Dayananda Sagar PU College is also hosting a slogan contest, with themes on 'Beat the Plastic Pollution' and 'Save Bengaluru's Vrushabhavathi River From Pollution'.

For every contest, winners will be awarded a cash prize of Rs 15,000, Rs 12,000 and Rs 10,000.

Activists question 'unnatural' landscaping of Bal Bhavan

BOSKY KHANNA @ Bengaluru

MEMBERS of various Cubbon Park groups are up in arms against Bengaluru Smart City Limited, stating that the government body has spoilt the natural landscape of Bal Bhavan.

Citizens state that instead of replanting bamboo clumps and native tree species, palm trees are being planted. Instead of natural grass, commercial lawns are being introduced and instead of having more open spaces with mud, the area is being concretised. Also, the sightings of birds such as Paradise Flycatcher, Red Kingfisher, Bulbuls, Robins and Wagtails have become a thing of the past. Members also complain that the originality of Bal Bhavan has been completely lost, adding that citizen groups have not been involved with the work at Bal Bhavan.

"After the bamboo clumps were removed in May 2020, it was shared that they would be replanted and the original biodiversity and ecology of the area would be restored. But we don't see that happening. It is now two worlds apart, a corporate compound," rued a member of We Love Cubbon Park Group.

Landscaping work under way at Bal Bhavan in Bengaluru | EXPRESS

While Yellappa Reddy, retired IFS officer and environmentalist, is working closely with the horticulture department for Cubbon Park, in the case of Bal Bhavan, landscaping is being done by Dharward landscapist PV Hiremath and the Bengaluru Smart City.

Noted environmentalist Suresh Heblikar, a consultant for MindTree, which is creating the space for special kids at Bal Bhavan, said he has suggested to them to ensure natural spaces. He added that he will also convey to the government on the importance of bamboo, endemic trees, wetlands, and the protection of lung spaces acting as a carbon sink.

Reacting, Bengaluru Smart City Limited Managing Director P Rajendra Cholan told The New Indian Express that palms are being planted only along the toy train tracks and roads. "No trees or bamboo were removed by us. Citizens and horticulture department inputs are being taken, but there are too many groups, so some could be feeling left out. Theme-based, children learning spaces are being created, and an amphitheatre is being set up. Bal Bhavan is for children to enjoy and learn. We are working with Women and Child Welfare Department too," he said.

Homebuyers seek action against erring builders

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

AFTER numerous appeals to various authorities failed to yield results, the Karnataka Home Buyers Forum conducted a formal press meet on Saturday, highlighting the issues they faced.

For the last two weeks, the forum had been organising a daily 'Home Dhoka', where they highlighted the problems any homebuyer suffered, especially from builders, which range from non-compliance of projects to the failure of the latter delivering on promised projects.

In addition, the largest complaint the home buyers had was the failure of the Karnataka Real Estate Regulatory Authority (K-RERA) and other authorities to take up the buyers' issues in a timely manner.

Many had also alleged that they have been waiting for years to find any kind of resolution.

Even with cases moving along, several homebuyers are yet to see any kind of compensation, due to the slow pace by which the authorities are allegedly working.

Meanwhile, the forum has also requested that K-RERA exercise its powers to help home buyers, as well as cease sanctioning new projects to repeat offender builders.

EXPRESS READ

Congress protests against delimitation exercise

BENGALURU: Members of Congress, led by party leader BK Hariprasad on Saturday, staged a protest outside the BBMP head office against the State Government and the municipality's ward delimitation exercise. The Congress alleged that it is a BJP tactic to win the corporation elections.

BBMP to hold khata melas at apartments

BENGALURU: The BBMP will hold 'khata melas' at apartment complexes on a pilot basis soon, to bring them under the Property Tax net, said BBMP Chief Commissioner Gaurav Gupta. After holding a virtual meet with members of Bengaluru Apartment's Federation, he told officials that 20 complexes should be identified for the same.

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Four employees of a private company have been arrested by Bagalur police on charges of stabbing a 23-year-old telecaller over a trivial issue. A senior police officer said that the victim, Surendra P, had sent a private message to a female colleague of the accused, which is suspected to be the reason behind the attack.

TRACKING COVID-19

DURATION OF PANDEMIC
1 YEAR, 333 DAYS

CASES REPORTED
Today: **12,009** | Yesterday: **14,950**

TALLY
Today: **38,87,733**
Yesterday: **38,75,724**

DEATHS	DISCHARGES
Today: **50**	Today: **25,854**
Yesterday: **53**	Yesterday: **40,599**

ACTIVE CASES
Today: **1,09,203**
Yesterday: **1,23,098**

POSITIVITY RATE	MORTALITY RATE
Today: **6.21%**	Today: **1.01%**
Yesterday: **6.20%**	Yesterday: **1.01%**

RECOVERY RATE Today: **96.17%** Yesterday: **95.81%**

DISTRICT-WISE COVID CASES
LAST 24 HOURS

Bengaluru Urban	4,532
Bengaluru Rural	129
Bagalkot	122
Ballari	481
Belagavi	1,028
Bidar	93
Chamarajanagar	186
Chikkaballapur	99
Chikkamagaluru	66
Chitradurga	436
Dakshina Kannada	252
Davanagere	82
Dharwad	303
Gadag	61
Hassan	413
Haveri	171
Kalaburagi	297
Kodagu	373
Kolar	132
Koppal	129
Mandya	275
Mysuru	763
Raichur	150
Ramanagara	98
Shivamogga	419
Tumakuru	342
Udupi	202
Uttara Kannada	217
Vijayapura	126
Yadgir	32

Health dept bats for state-level team to audit 3rd wave Covid deaths

Exercise will help identify actual cause of death and formulate treatment strategies, feel officials

CHETANA BELAGERE @ Bengaluru

THE Department of Health and Family Welfare has requested the government to constitute a state-level death audit team to look into the reasons behind Covid-19 deaths registered in the state during the third wave. The state's toll is the third highest in the country in terms of cumulative deaths at 39,250, the highest being Maharashtra's (1,42,940) followed by Kerala (57,296) as of Friday.

"We have asked the principal secretary to request the State Government to form a state-level committee for conducting an audit of the deaths in the third wave. The team can comprise a group of doctors, officials from the Health Department and representatives from the BBMP. This will help identify the exact reasons behind the death and also guide in formulating treatment strategies and preventive measures," said Health and Family Welfare Department commissioner Randeep D.

Speaking to TNIE, he explained that Karnataka has been appreciated for its better reporting system. The state has a robust reporting system at the district level and hence, the numbers are coming out, he explained.

India marked a grim record of over five lakh Covid-19 deaths on Saturday. Karnataka, in the Omicron-dominated third wave between January 1 and February 5, has recorded 960 deaths.

Health Department officials say that from the cumulative information from all the districts, it was found that the state recorded 645 deaths in January. About 30 deaths in January were those who died at home, during transit or were brought dead.

District officials were asked to conduct death audits on each of these Covid-19 deaths and the reports from all the districts have been given. However, Randeep said the reports need to be assessed by a state-level team and hence, constituting a committee will help.

Health worker collects a swab sample from a man | EXPRESS

Prima facie, the reports from the districts have shown Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome (ARDS) to be the major reason for the deaths. Nearly 30-35% of the cases are of those people who have co-morbidities and Covid-19 had aggravated their condition. Also, the reporting time analysis of these patients showed that nearly 53% of the deaths happened within two days of reporting to hospitals.

"This means that these deaths could have been prevented if there was early intervention. A possible reason also could be miscommunication that Omicron is mild and the patients may have waited to reach hospital," Randeep explained.

Sources said the team may be constituted soon and this will help to also identify how many of these deaths were due to Covid-19 being the primary cause, how many were incidental findings, had co-morbidities and had come for other treatment and Covid-19 being a secondary cause, etc.

STATE'S POSITIVITY RATE TOO DROPS TO SINGLE DIGIT

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KARNATAKA continued to register a downward trend in the number of fresh cases with 4,427 cases lesser than Friday's count. On Saturday, the state saw 12,009 cases, as against Friday's count of 16,436. The state also reported single-digit positivity rate of 9.04% on Saturday, for the first time during the third wave, as opposed to Friday's 11.31%.

"The third wave is clearly waning as cases continue to fall. The state has recorded 12,009 cases and Bengaluru saw 4,532 cases. The positivity rate has dropped to 9.04% and there have been 25,854 discharges. There have been 50 deaths in the state while 1,32,796 tests were conducted," said Health and Medical Education Minister Dr K Sudhakar.

Meanwhile, Bengaluru's active Covid-19 case count fell below the 50,000 mark for the first time since January 10. The city on Saturday recorded 4,532 new Covid cases, taking the total number of active cases to 45,742. The positivity rate in Bengaluru also dropped from 9.0% to 6.08%.

The positivity rate in most of the districts has dropped to single digits and nearly 50% of them are reporting below the state average. However, the number of deaths in the state is continuing to range between 50-60 per day. Even on Saturday, the state recorded 50 deaths, but 10 less than Friday. Bengaluru city accounted for 15 of these deaths.

EXPRESS READ

MAHE signs pact with B'luru firm for research

Udupi: For research in the field of human microbiome science, MAHE has signed an MoU with a Bengaluru-based biotherapeutics solutions startup to focus on manufacturing prebiotics and probiotics products. The research will also focus on medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, allied health, nursing among others. MAHE signed the pact with Bengaluru-based Velbiom Probiotics Private Limited for this collaborative research initiative. Speaking on this development, Dr M D Venkatesh, VC of MAHE, said that this MoU is for focusing on academia-industry engagement and to lead to new research outcomes, new probiotics products. A few of Velbiom's products have already undergone clinical trials.

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Vijayapura 2nd in state to clock 100% vaccination

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THE district became only one in North Karnataka and second in the State to achieve 100 per cent vaccination in both the doses against the Covid-19 pandemic.

According to the state health bulletin, "The district health authorities have administered first dose of vaccine to over 17.04 lakh people against the target of 16.34 lakh. With this, the first dose of vaccination rate stands at 105 per cent. With regard to the second dose, the district has vaccinated overall 16.34 lakh people, achieving 100 percent."

"Bengaluru Rural is the only other district in the State to have achieved 100 per cent vaccination. However, over 12 districts have jabbed over 90 per cent of the eligible people with both the doses. The state vaccination rate for first dose stands at 101 per cent and for second dose at 88 per cent," as per the bulletin.

The Covid vaccination drive kick-started in the district in January, 2021. According to previous population census held in 2011, the district administration had set a target of inoculating 16.34 lakh people. However, at present 17.54 lakh people have been vaccinated with the first dose.

The district administration paced up the second dose vaccination after the vaccination mela launched on the eve of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's birthday on September 16, 2021. The district managed to achieve 100 per cent vaccination with both doses in just over one year.

DC P Sunil Kumar said "With the efforts of health personnel, Asha workers and staff of other departments, the district administration has achieved cent per cent target of vaccination with both doses to all the eligible people in the district."

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The State Government has issued an order releasing Rs 731.03 crore grant of third and fourth instalment for the year 2021-22 for Kalyana Karnataka Regional Development Board. The Department of Planning, Programme Implementation and Statistics has issued the orders in this regard

BJP leaders: Won't allow Talibanisation of state

Students should study and follow the rules of the school: Kateel

Students in Kundapur come to college wearing saffron shawls to protest against fellow students wearing hijab, on Saturday

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mangaluru, Mysuru

SEVERAL BJP leaders on Saturday strongly defended the decision of government colleges in Udupi district not to allow students wearing headscarves (hijab) on campuses. The leaders said that they will not allow the "creation of another Taliban" in a "Hindu Rashtra". If students want to wear hijab, they can go to madrasas, they added.

State BJP president and Dakshina Kannada MP Nalin Kumar Kateel, after inaugurating the office of Dakshina Kannada in-charge minister V Sunil Kumar, said, "Schools are temples of Goddess Saraswati. Students should study following the rules of the school. Let them find other ways if they do not want to pursue education in the school. Our government will take strict action."

Coming down heavily on Congress Legislature Party leader Siddaramaiah for supporting the protesting girls, Kateel alleged that the Congress leader disrupted peace by celebrating Tipu Jayanti and launching Shadi Bhagya to appease Muslims.

Sunil Kumar saw a conspiracy to create lawlessness in the state. "The issue is not about hijab. This is a conspiracy and part of the toolkit," he said.

He alleged that till recently, the girls would come to college wearing burqa and hijab, and remove them before attending classes. "But recently, they insisted on wearing hijab inside classrooms. The students say they do not have money to pay fees. From where did they get the money to approach the high curt. Who is behind them," he asked.

"People call this a Hindu Rashtra and they will not allow Talibanisation here," he said.

In Madikeri, BJP MP Prathap Simha said people residing in a "Hindu nation" should learn to respect its values. "If they want to wear hijab or dress as per their wish, they can study in madrasas. Everyone must follow the dress code in schools and colleges."

Stating that India and Pakistan were divided on the basis of religion. "The citizens of this nation must respect the traditions of the country. This is not British India, this is a Hindu country," he added.

In Mysuru, BJP MLA and former Union minister Basanagouda Patil Yatnal termed those supporting the girl students as traitors. Congress MLA Tanveer Sait said the hijab row is politically motivated and should be resolved amicably.

Ma Saraswati does not differentiate anyone: Rahul

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Udupi

EVEN as a section of students in Udupi are demanding that they be allowed inside classrooms wearing hijab, Congress leader and MP Rahul Gandhi came out in their support stating that the hijab should not come in the way of their education. In a tweet he posted on Saturday, Rahul said that by doing so, we are robbing the future of the daughters of India. "Ma Saraswati gives knowledge to all. She doesn't differentiate. #SaraswatiPuja (sic)," he tweeted.

The BJP, expectedly, hit back at Rahul. In a tweet, party general secretary C T Ravi said, "By communalising education, CONgress co-owner @Rahul has once again proved that he is dangerous to the future of India. If hijab is very much essential to get educated, why doesn't Rahul Gandhi make it mandatory in states ruled by CONgress?"

Energy Minister V Sunil Kumar tweeted, "The lesser you speak about differentiating the better it is. And it is one section of students (with your party leaders' support) who have brought the hijab in the way of education, not the govt. They are welcome to take it off and come back to class."

The Muslim girls from Government PU College, Kundapur, and Bhandarkar's College, Kundapur, submitted an appeal to Udupi ADC Sadashiva Prabhu. They said they wore the hijab from the beginning of the academic year. As exams are two months away, denial of entry to classrooms over wearing headscarves has put their lives in doldrums, they said.

Foucus on Covid, water dispute: HDK to govt, Cong

BENGALURU: Janata Dal (Secular) leader and former Chief Minister HD Kumaraswamy on Saturday urged the State Government and the Congress to leave the hijab controversy and focus on burning issues such as water dispute, rising unemployment and the pandemic. "Congress leaders want to become CM. BJP wants to retain power. This is why they are dragging the hijab and saffron shawl controversy," he said. "Due to Covid-19, several parents are finding it difficult to send their children to schools and colleges. When that is the case, the government and Congress are raking up an unnecessary issue," he said. **ENS**

'Students, parents had agreed to rules'

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Also, the 'hijab row' spilled over to other colleges in Kundapur of Udupi district. On Saturday, around 200 boys and girls of Bhandarkar's College, Kundapur came to the campus wearing saffron shawls.

The police stopped the students before entering the college. After much convincing by college and police, the students agreed to attend classes without saffron shawls. Earlier, they marched for about half-a-kilometre to register their protest. Muslim girl students did not agree to attend classes without hijab.

At the Government PU College in Kundapur, the principal had declared a holiday anticipating trouble. Though the reason cited was the local temple fair (Basroor Rathothsava), the college was never closed earlier for the occasion, sources said. At the RN Shetty PU College, students tried to attend classes wearing saffron shawls, but college authorities declared a holiday and sent the students back home. The police had a tough time controlling the students, who took out a protest march.

Udupi MLA Raghupathi Bhat, who is the president of development committee at the Women's Government PU College Udupi, released a set of documents to the media that contained letters signed by the parents of agitating Muslim girl students to substantiate his claim that the students and their parents had agreed to the rules and only then taken admission. He claimed that the girl students were not wearing headscarves to classrooms till recently, and turned it into a dispute only now.

SUNDAY INTERVIEW

'River linking not ecologically sound'

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

ECOLOGISTS and environmentalists have pointed out that linking of rivers will lead to severe environmental implications. Prof T V Ramachandra, Energy and Wetlands Research Group, Centre for Ecological Sciences, IISc, feels that river-linking projects at a mega scale will spell doom for the regional economy with scarcity of water and food, which will impact sustainable living. Excerpts:

What is your view of the government's announcement on the river-linking project?
The proposed river-linking projects at a mega scale are neither technically feasible, environmentally sound, nor economically viable. Altering the natural course of rivers will be disastrous and will affect sustenance in the region. The prevalence of invasive species leads to erosion of native aquatic biodiversity and will impact local people's livelihood. Hence, before mega scale projects are proposed or taken up, we need social and ecological auditing of earlier projects. For example, the Telugu Ganga project was implemented in the 1980s to supply 15 tmcft of water from Krishna basin to Chennai. But after implementing it, Chennai has got a maximum of 3.8 tmcft of water. Lack of accountability and transparency regarding failed projects has encouraged decision-makers to opt for such proposals, which will benefit only a small section (a nexus of consultants, contractors and engineers) of society while depriving water and food security to a majority of the local population in the river basins.

Why do you think the government is making such an announcement now?
The country has been facing a severe water crisis due to mismanagement of water resources in the last century. Water has become an emotional issue. Every politician/government tries to capitalise on it and falls prey to the illogical and unscientific proposals mooted by a section of society to capitalise on the water-scarce situation.

Will it open a Pandora's box, as there are many inter-state disputes?
Certainly. Such projects which lack scientific rigour or scrutiny will pave the way for disasters. Mismanagement of river basins will lead to the decline of water retention capability of watersheds, leading to conversion of perennial streams to intermittent or seasonal streams, which will further aggravate the situation of water scarcity leading to more inter- and intra-state conflicts.

When there are issues like the Mahadayi and Mekedatu, what do you think will happen with this?
Conflicts in society will always benefit decision-makers. Hence, such issues are kept alive. There were some interventions in Malaprabha basin earlier that led to the watershed losing its ability to retain water, which has contributed to water scarcity. Instead of rectifying the problem in the Malaprabha catchment, a proposal cropped up to divert Mahadayi water, contributing to further degradation of both river catchments. The Mekedatu project leads to the submersion of about 4,700 hectares of forests, including Cauvery wildlife sanctuary (submerges 65% of sanctuary spatial extent) with numerous endemic species of flora and fauna. Instead of a decentralised option of water harvesting, such senseless projects are pushed. For example, Bengaluru city (spatial extent of

740 sqkm), with annual rainfall of 700-850 mm, gets about 15 tmcft of water while the city requires about 18 tmcft of water. The best option is rainwater harvesting at an individual (rooftop) and community (through lakes) levels. To meet local water demand, rejuvenate lakes, enhance water storage capacity and improve groundwater recharge. Currently, 45% of Bengaluru's water needs are met from groundwater sources, and this will be the best and most viable option.

Is it worth investing so much in river-linking projects?
Natural capital accounting and valuation of ecosystem services reveal that forests provide services — Provisioning services (tangible benefits) worth Rs 2.19 lakh per hectare per year, Regulating services worth Rs 3.31 lakh per hectare/year, Cultural services worth Rs 1.05 lakh per hectare/year and the total ecosystem supply value of forest ecosystem is Rs 6.56 lakh per hectare/year. So, with this value, against what the government is talking of investing, one can understand that it's not worth the investment. The forest assets NPV (Net Present Value) is Rs 80 billion. Considering the worth of the forest ecosystems, it is prudent not to disturb the vital ecosystem.

Is there an alternative?
There are solutions like decentralised water harvesting through lakes and tanks, treatment of waste water, watershed programmes through engineering and ecological treatment which will enhance the water retention capacity of the catchment. All these are implementable and cost-effective, which enhances job opportunities.

'It will help drought-hit areas of Karnataka'

BANSY KALAPPA @Bengaluru

K Rudraiah, former secretary, Department of Water Resources, says there is movement on the Mekedatu project in Delhi and Karnataka is fighting for its share of water. Excerpts:

Environmentalists are saying interlinking of rivers is not an ecologically sound idea...
The plan to connect Cauvery river with other rivers is not specific to Karnataka or South India. There is a national plan here. The overall idea is to connect 30 large rivers across the country and of these, 16 are peninsular rivers, while the remaining 14, including Ganga, originate in the Himalayas. The amount needed for

interlinking of all the rivers will be upwards of Rs 6 lakh crore. Remember, these are projects will help us not only with water, but also power. The plan is to generate 5.5 gigawatt of energy nationally, and it will obviously need a network of canals and setting up of reservoirs to store and pump water. Water from some rivers has to be lifted using pumps. Once done, these projects will help solve water shortage in large parts of Karnataka, right from Chitradura, Haveri, Tumakuru, Kolar to Chikkaballapur that are drought prone. The river-linking projects will alleviate the perennial water shortage in these parts. There is a history behind it.

What do you mean by the history of interlinking of rivers?
The idea of river linking is not new. It was spoken about in the early seventies by former minister Dr KL Rao, who had said that the Ganga and Cauvery should be linked. During the Janata Party government of Morarji Desai, Capt Dastur had considered this issue. When Indira Gandhi came back to power later, the issue was raised again. More recently, the Vajpayee government too discussed it extensively at the highest level.

Some experts say justice should be done to Karnataka in sharing of river waters
The excess water from Mahanadi and Godavari are being brought south through a network of canals and reservoirs. While Mahanadi is under dispute, water from Godavari will be shared between Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and Tamil Nadu. The earlier report had mentioned about Karnataka getting water from Mahanadi. Now, we are fighting to include our share in the modified report.

The Mekedatu project with a capacity of 67 tmcft was cleared by the Cauvery tribunal in 2007 and by the Supreme Court in 2018. Still, why is the government dragging its feet?
The state government is working on it. There is movement at various levels in Delhi. The Mekedatu project is being taken up only to take our legally allocated share of Cauvery waters. The project will help Bengaluru.

Many in Karnataka are not happy with interlinking of rivers involving Cauvery.
Karnataka was not happy with the linking of Cauvery, Vaigai and Gundar rivers, as Tamil Nadu is seeking to utilise excess water there. Karnataka will take it up legally as being an upper riparian state, it has a right over excess waters.

Environmentalists are pointing to PH levels of different rivers and are expressing concern over loss of land to create canals, reservoirs, etc
If water is brought to areas that are drought-prone and are perennially short of this precious resource, is it not good? On the argument over PH value, there are no problems with freshwater, and issues will arise only if saltwater or brackish water is mixed. Experts are looking into all these finer points.

The recent Union Budget presented by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman mentioned the implementation of several river-linking projects

EXPRESS READ

4L BPL, APL cards to be distributed at Grama One

Bengaluru: Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai on Saturday said that the State Government has given approval for issuance of 4 lakh Below Poverty Line (BPL) and Above Poverty Line (APL) cards in Karnataka, which will be distributed through the Grama One centres. He was speaking to Grama One operators through video conferencing. ENS

Ibrahim trains guns on KPCC president

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI @ Bengaluru

CONGRESS MLC C M Ibrahim, who is touted to take over as the state JDS president in a fortnight or so, has launched an attack targeting KPCC president D K Shivakumar. Ibrahim has been upset that he lost the Leader of the Opposition post in the Legislative Council to B K Hariprasad.

He blamed Shivakumar for it, while going soft on Congress legislature party leader Siddaramaiah. When the latter had left the JDS and formed the AHINDA platform, Ibrahim had followed him and also joined the Congress. He had attacked the JDS during the 2013 Assembly polls for "betraying" Siddaramaiah.

Ibrahim, who had planned to resign as MLC on February 14, has reportedly changed his mind. As his resignation will give an edge to the Bommai-led BJP government to pass the anti-conversion Bill in the Upper House, Ibrahim is not ready to take the blame for it. So, he may take a call depending on the government's move, sources told *TNSE*.

CM to launch martial arts training for girls today

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MORE than 1.8 lakh girls studying in residential schools and colleges run by the department of social welfare will get martial arts training for self-defence and the initiative will be inaugurated by chief minister Basavaraj Bommai on Sunday.

In more than 1,700 residential schools and hostels run by the social welfare department including backward class commission across the state, girls will be trained by experts at their schools and the course will be called 'Obavva' self-defence training. "We want our girls to be as strong and confident as Onake Obavva," social welfare minister Kota Srinivas Poojary said.

According to him, they have informally started karate classes at a few places, but it will be officially launched on Sunday. We have given karate uniforms to the girls studying post-matric. "If they learn at least for two to three years, they will have self-confidence," he said.

Speaking about instructors, the minister said that they have outsourced black-belt women instructors. "We have got them in most of the places and wherever they are unavailable, women experts will train them. The duration of the classes will be one hour each, twice a week, he added," he added.

Cabinet expansion: Guessing game on as CM heads to Delhi tomorrow

BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru

WITH Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai and Water Resources Minister Govind Karjol scheduled to leave for New Delhi on Monday, all eyes will be on the BJP central leadership. There is much speculation over whether the four vacant cabinet berths in the statewill be filled or a reshuffle effected by dropping some non-performing ministers and accommodating some ministerial aspirants.

With the BJP central leaders busy with electioneering in five states, the outcome of the Chief Minister's visit remains to be seen. The Bommai Cabinet will meet on Wednesday and there is expectation that an expansion may take place sometime soon.

There are four vacant berths in the Basavaraj Bommai Cabinet

Vijayapura City MLA and former Union minister Basanagouda Patil Yatnal had recently hinted at major changes in the cabinet, claiming that the B S Yediyurappa era in the state was over and that there is a need for a second-rung leadership to be nurtured in Karnataka.

Meanwhile, former Water Resources Minister and MLA Ramesh Jarkiholi's close aides and supporters are jubilant after the police filed a B-report in an alleged rape case, and are seeking for his reinduction and claiming that he was a victim of a 'criminal conspiracy'.

However, his detractors argue that merely filing of a B-report by the police is not conclusive proof and that he cannot be reinstated so easily. They pointed out that several B-reports are not accepted by the courts, and considering that the individual in question is a former minister, they felt that the court verdict should be awaited.

Karnataka Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot offered prayers to Lord Venkateswara at the Srivari temple in Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh, on Saturday morning. After darshan, the temple authorities presented him with Srivari Prasadam, TTD calendar and a photo at Ranganayakula Mandapam

OUT OF THE COCOON: MENTAL WELLBEING GETS DESERVED PUSH

BALA CHAUHAN @Bengaluru

MENTAL health, which has been a taboo subject in India and associated with stigma and superstition, gained significance this week after Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, in her Budget speech, announced that a National Tele-Mental Health Progamme, with the National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences (Nimhans) as the nodal centre, will be launched to address mental health issues of people of all ages.

The T-MANAS initiative, with active collaboration from the IIIT-B and 23 Centres of Excellence, will work as a pan-India 24x7 tele-mental health facility and provide immediate intervention to people in mental distress, particularly those in remote and underserved areas.

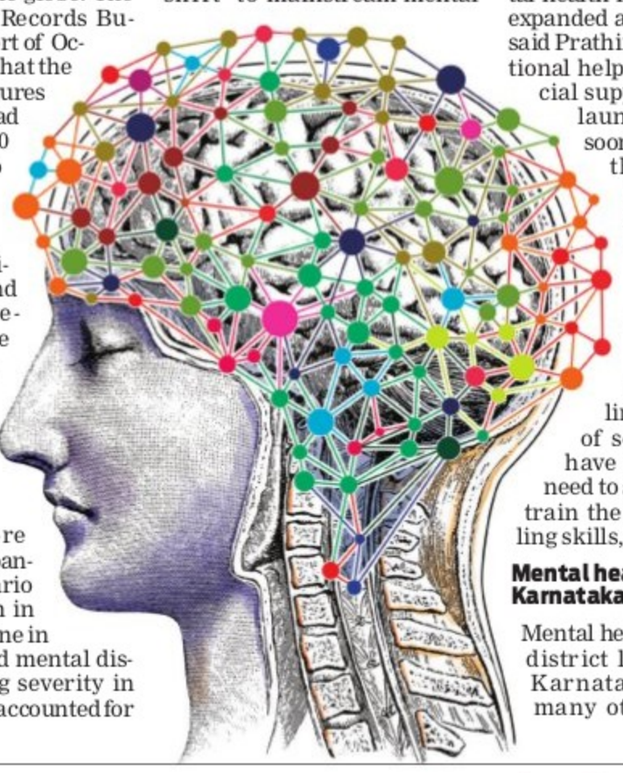
The development comes in the backdrop of the recognition that mental health sequels post Covid-19 infections. Economic distress, uncertainty, death of loved ones due to Covid, isolation, closure of schools and the absence of social support have exacerbated mental distress across the globe. The National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) report of October 2020 stated that the overall suicide figures in the country had increased by 10 per cent to 1,53,052, the highest ever. Among those who died by suicide, students and small entrepreneurs were the biggest group, further giving credence to the havoc the pandemic has played on mental health.

But even before the onset of the pandemic, the "scenario for mental health in India was grim. One in seven Indians had mental disorders of varying severity in 2017, and Indians accounted for 26.6% of the global suicide deaths in 2016," The Lancet report of January 2021 had stated.

The trajectory of awareness on mental health in the country began with the Lunacy Act — the first legislation introduced by the British in 1858. From then to now, mental health remains the most neglected aspect of public health, largely because of lack of awareness and stigma attached to it.

From its inception in 1974 to 2006, when the first study on mental health of prisoners was announced and conducted in 2008 at the Bengaluru Central Prison, Nimhans has played a pivotal role in advocacy, awareness and treatment of mental health issues in urban and rural India.

"From institutional care to community and home care, mental health care has come a long way since the 1980s and 90s. Early recognition is important for intervention and treatment. Self-help is very important for mental well-being. Yoga and meditation do help in destressing," said Nimhans director Prathima Murthy, who was also the driving force behind the pilot mental health study of prisoners. She added that there has been a steady shift to mainstream mental health in the public discourse over the years. The number of seats for psychiatry and psycho-social work (PSW) has also increased in medical studies. "But these are still not commensurate with the population that maybe affected with mental health illnesses and disorders and requires professional help," said Murthy.



The National Mental Health Survey of India 2015-2016, conducted by Nimhans, had covered 12 states and 39,532 individuals. The report stated that nearly 15 per cent of adults in India require treatment for one or more mental health disorders and that nearly 70-80 per cent of them received no treatment. The allocation by state governments for mental health was less than 1 per cent of their budgets, which also indicated the level of priority it was given.

"Covid-19 has opened the dialogue on mental illness. Mental health literacy needs to be expanded across the country," said Prathima Murthy. The national helpline for psycho-social support (080-46110007), launched by Nimhans soon after the onset of the Covid-19 pandemic in March 2020, has received nearly six lakh calls from across India. "Technology is an important tool to take mental health services to remote areas and linking it at all levels of service delivery. We have resources and we need to structure them and train the youth in counselling skills," she added.

Mental health facilities in Karnataka

Mental health facilities at the district level are better in Karnataka, compared to many other states. Many district civil hospitals in the state have the necessary medical staff and infrastructure to cater to mental health issues of the people. Whether these are adequate needs to be seen.

"Only for special cases, we refer the patients to Dimhans - the Dharwad wing of Nimhans," said District Surgeon, Dr S L Lakkannavar, Vijayapura.

In Gadag, a team of counsellors under psychiatrist Dr Jitendra Mugali from Gadag Institute of Medical Science (GIMS) visits rural areas to counsel senior citizens and women suffering from post-Covid stress. Karnataka State Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (KSRDPR) University, Gadag has started 'Manochetana', a free counselling centre. "We have also asked patients to use the e-sanjeevani OPD app in case of emergency," said DHO Jagadish Nuchchin.

The District General Hospital in Kalaburagi, "on an average, sees at least 60 people with various mental health issues and disorders every month," said Head, Department of Mental Health, Dr Prabhukiran Gogi.

In Udupi, the district health authorities have taken a slew of initiatives — from having a psychiatrist, a special mental health officer and a counsellor at the district general hospital, Ajjarakad, to opening two tele-psychiatric units at Kandlur and Byndoor where camps are held twice a month. Dr Vasudev, psychiatrist at DGH, Ajjarakad told TNIE that on an average, they see around "35 out-patients and 10 in-patients daily."

Shivamogga too has good number of psychiatrists and mental health professionals and neuroscientists working in the district and even in taluk headquarters like Bhadravathi, Shikaripura and Tirthahalli, said Dr Harish Delantabettu.

(With inputs from Mahesh Goudar in Bagalkot/Vijayapura, Raghu Koppar in Gadag, Ramkrishna Badeshi in Kalaburagi, Prakash Samaga in Udupi and Ramachandra V Gunari in Shivamogga)

PM unveils Statue of Equality, hails Saint Ramanujacharya

PM Modi at the inauguration ceremony of the Statue of Equality on Saturday

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Hyderabad

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi performed the 'Vishwaksena Ishti Yagna' before dedicating Sri Ramanujacharya's 'Statue of Equality' to the world on Saturday. Modi hoped that the yagna would help achieve the country's 'Amrit' objectives and 130 crore Indians realise their dreams.

Addressing people after unveiling the 216-feet-tall statue of Sri Ramanujacharya, Modi said that whenever evil prevailed over good in society, great people like Sri Ramanujacharya emerged to eradicate social evils with a strong conviction to their cause. This, despite facing opposition and hurdles in their entire life.

"Today is the auspicious occasion of Vasanta Panchami. I pray to Maa Saraswati that the knowledge of Ramanujacharya leads the world. Ramanujacharya's life shows there is no conflict between reforms and our tradition," Modi said.

Observing that progress may not necessarily mean a deviation from our roots, he said: "Imagine the social pressures which Ramanujacharya must have faced a 1,000 years ago while working against social inequalities and superstitions. But he introduced our roots to the world through his teachings, by questioning how dharma could become the cause for inequality. His life proved that there is no conflict between progressiveness and antiquity."

Modi also took a tour of 108 Divya Deshams, auditorium and the three floors of Bhadravedi, where an art gallery depicting the life of Ramanujacharya was shown to him.

Battle lines drawn? KCR skips Modi event

Hyderabad: Chief Minister K Chandrasekhar Rao skipped Prime Minister Narendra Modi's tour programme in Hyderabad on Saturday. While sources said that Rao was indisposed due to mild fever, for political watchers, there was a lot of material to read between the lines for those interested to do so.

Just two days before the Prime Minister's visit, the State government nominated Animal Husbandry Minister Talasani Srinivas Yadav to receive and see off Modi.

The Chief Minister also skipped the unveiling of the grand statue of Ramanujacharya, exponent of Visishtadvaita philosophy, later in the day.

In fact, Rao neither shared the dais with the Prime Minister nor came with face-to-face with him, leading political analysts to say that this was nothing but a deliberate indication to anti-BJP forces in the country that he is dead against Modi and BJP.

Political analysts believe that by skipping meeting Modi on Saturday, Rao has sent a clear message to one and all. ENS

Kannada's Kabir, Ibrahim Sutar, dies at 82

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Mahalingpur (Bagalkot)

SOCIAL worker and Padma Shri awardee **Ibrahim Sutar**, who was popularly known as the 'Kabir of Kannada', passed away after a massive heart attack at Mahalingpur in Bagalkot district early Saturday. He was 82. He is survived by his wife, two children and grandchildren.

"Sutar was a diabetic and had hypertension for the past few years. He complained of chest pain on Friday. The doctors had recommended angioplasty. He breathed his last on the way to the hospital," grieving family members said. The family had made arrangements for the public to pay their last respects to the mortal remains at the Mahatma Gandhi Frounds in Mahalingapura. The final rites were performed as per Islamic traditions and with full state honours.

Ibrahim Sutar was awarded the Padma Shri, the nation's fourth highest civilian award, in 2018 in recognition of his social work and efforts to spread social and communal harmony. His songs and bhajans were popular not only in Karnataka, but also in Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Delhi and Goa. He was popular among the masses in the North Karnataka districts for his spiritual discourses.

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, Water Resources Minister Govind Karjol and other cabinet ministers, Opposition leader Siddaramaiah, former CM H D Kumaraswamy and others condoled the passing away of Ibrahim Sutar.

In his condolence message, Bommai said, "Sutar spread the message that there is no religion better than human compassion. The essence of all religions is the same. Adopting his ideals in our lives is the best way of expressing our respect for him. His death is a big loss for the state."

Terdal MLA Siddu Savadi, Jamkhandi MLA Anand Nyamgouda and other elected representatives paid their last respects to the departed soul at Mahalingpur. District officials also took part in the last rites.

Many NGOs empowering kids of Devadasis

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"THE forms, starting from mother and child card to birth certificate, hospital and anganwadi registration, education, scholarships, hostels, jobs and other government schemes have the column for father's name. We request the government to save us from this humiliation and make the column optional," said Lakshmi (17), an undergraduate student.

"We don't know who our father is and even if we come to know who he is, we never get to see him. Nor does he acknowledge us. Each time we have to fill a form, the name of the father crops up like a threat. Why can't the government make the column optional," asked Kamala (17), a nursing student. "We are laughed at and abused in school by teachers and other students. I have asked my mother so many times who my father is. She tells me that she is my amma and appaji (father)," she added in between her tears.

The resilience of these children to withstand hardships, pain and suffering is remarkable and so is their determination to bring in a change and end social evils like Devadasi and child marriage, through education, awareness and empowerment.

Many voluntary organisations, such as Amma in Belagavi, Sneha in Koppal and Ballari, Jagrut in Vijayapura and Chaitanya in Bagalkot, have been working for advocacy and empowerment of former Devadasis and are also involved in imparting education, skill training and civic responsibilities to their daughters aged between 12 and 18 years through kishori sanghas for the last four years. Each sangha has close to 600 girls.

"These girls are highly susceptible to sexual abuse by men. Through life skills, we are helping them to say no to any such advances and report any coercion to authorities through Childline 1098 and district child protection units," said Vasudev Sharma of Child Rights Trust.

(Names of daughters of former Devadasis have been changed to protect identity)

7 Siddi boxers bag medals at Pondy tourney

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

SEVEN out of eight athletes from the Siddi tribal community, who are undergoing training at a government residential school in Vidyanagar, Bengaluru, won medals at the Jayan Boxing Championship tournament in Puducherry.

While Joseph Bastavona (71-75 kg category) and Stevan Sanjan Salagatti (54-57 kg) won gold medals, Darshan Mahabaleshwara Siddi (67-71 kg) and Dinesh Shankar Siddi (48-50 kg) won silver medals and Nikhil Mariyan Siddi (50-52 kg), Kiran Sanjan Salagatti (50-52 kg -junior level)) and Hajarat Ali (42-22 kg- junior level) won the bronze. Joseph Bastavona also won the Best Boxer of the tournament title.

In a release, Sports Minister K C Narayana Gowda said, "The State Government's attempt to select the tribal talents and give them training has been successful."

CRIME PATROL

Former MP's grandson submits Rs 10L bond for running over strays

Bengaluru: Former MP D K Audikesavulu Naidu's grandson paid a bond of Rs 10 lakh to Siddapura Police following his arrest for deliberately hitting a stray dog. Adi Narayana Naidu (23) was driving his Audi car when the incident happened which was caught on CCTV camera and sparked a media uproar as the video went viral. Police said that the bond is for 10 months and if Naidu breaches the bond, he will be jailed without bail for ten months. The bond was increased to serve as an example to others, said police. ENS

Residents catch thief at house where five were found dead

Bengaluru: A thief was caught by residents of Thigalarapalya after he entered a house where five family members of a journalist had committed suicide. The house belonged to journalist Shankar and has remained shut for four months and power supply was disconnected for nonpayment of dues. The accused is as Bharat Kumar, a habitual offender residing in Byadarahalli. A police officer said on Friday midnight neighbours caught Kumar in the house and thrashed him before handed him over to Byadarahalli police who took him to a hospital and arrested him. ENS

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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
KSTDC, on behalf of Department of Tourism, Government of Karnataka, invites proposal for Implementation of High Speed Internet Connectivity at various properties and offices of DoT, KSTDC and JLR vide Ref. No. KSTDC/IT48/2021-22/Call-2 & last date and time for EOI submission is 25.02.2022 at 6.00 p.m. (Processing fees Rs.1000/-).
Interested consultants may visit e-procurement platform of GoK at https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in for detailed proposal documents. For any further clarifications contact +91 80 23010900, +91 80 23010901. Email support: hphelpdesk.blr@intarvo.com
Sd/- Managing Director/Tender Inviting Authority, KSTDC

Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike
Office of the Executive Engineer, Chickpet Division, 8th Main, 2nd Block Jayanagar, Kanakanapalya, Bangalore-560011 Ph: 080-26570088.
Tender Notification No. EE/CKP/E-PROC/15/2021-22 Date : 04-02-2022
TENDER NOTIFICATION
Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike invites Short Term request for proposal for Consultancy Services on the feasibility study and Transaction advisory Services for the Development of Land Parcel of BBMP at JC Road to Commercial building under PPP Model. Following are the Events of Bid process:

1) Date of Commencement of Download of Document from eProcurement website http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in	From 07/02/2022
2) Last Date and Time for uploading Online Queries in eProcurement.	14/02/2022 3:00 PM
3) Date and Time of Pre-bid Meeting	14/02/2022 at 5:00 PM at the following venue: Office of the Zonal Joint Commissioner (South) 91" Cross, Kanakanapalya Jayanagara 2"d Block, Jayanagara
4) Last Date and Time for uploading of RFP in eProcurement portal.	18/02/2022 5:00 PM
5) Date and Time of Online Opening of RFP	19/02/2022 5:30 PM
6) Place of Opening of Applications	Online at eProcurement portal
7) Address for Communication	Office of the Executive Engineer, Chikkapet Division, 8th Main, Kanakanapalya Jayanagara 2nd Block, Jayanagara.

1.Tender documents may be downloaded from the website https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in
2. Other details can be seen in the tender documents.
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POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, the Authorised Officer of **KARNATAKA BANK LIMITED,** under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notices, details of which are mentioned hereunder, calling upon the borrowers/mortgagors/co-obligants/guarantors mentioned therein to repay the total amount mentioned in the demand notice along with future interest within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notices.

1. Name of Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: **(1) Mr. Kalyan Kumar R Karanam,** S/o Mr. Krishna Murthy **(2)Mrs. Lavanya N,** W/o Mr. Kalyan Kumar R Karanam, **Both are addressed at :** No.176, 2nd Floor, 1st Main, 1st Cross, BHCS Layout, Uttarahalli, Badamanavarthekaval, Bengaluru-560061, **Both also at :** Residential Villa Unit No.007, Vedanta Block, Axis Tatvam, Sy.No.184, Kaggalipura Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk-560082.

Branch Name: Bengaluru-Sir M Vishweshwaraiah Layout Date of Demand Notice: 31.08.2021

Amount Demanded: Rs.1,53,78,224.33 [Rupees One Crore Fifty Three Lakhs Seventy Eight Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Four and Paisa Thirty Three Only] i.e Rs.1,14,38,829.22 under TL A/c No.9597001600003601 along with future interest from 04.08.2021 and Rs.39,39,395.11 under Term Loan A/c No.9597001600005501 along with future interest from 12.08.2021 , plus costs.

Date of taking Possession: 03.02.2022

Balance outstanding as on the date of possession: Rs.1,60,34,521.33 [Rupees One Crore Sixty Lakhs Thirty Four Thousand Five Hundred Twenty One and Paisa Thirty Three Only] i.e Rs.1,19,04,685.22 under TL A/c No.9597001600003601 along with future interest from 04.01.2022 and Rs.41,29,836.11 under Term Loan A/c No.9597001600005501 along with future interest from 12.01.2022, plus costs.

Description of the Immovable Property: All that part and parcel of **Unit No.07 (Type – 03 BHK)** facing West in the Vedanta Block of the residential project known as **"Axis Tatvam",** having super built up area of **2200 Sq.ft ,** including proportionate share of common area with the floors, celing and walls between Villa jointly, along with **94.23% (on SBA) i.e 2073 Sq.ft** of undivided right, title and interest in the land, and 2 covered car parking space bearing No.V-07, in the basement floor, constructed on residentially converted land bearing Sy.No.184, situated at Kaggalipura Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, belonging to **Mr. Kalyan Kumar R Karnam. Boundaries of consolidated property as per Deed : East :** Remaining portion of Sy.No.184 measuring 18 guntas and road, **West :** Land of Sri. Santhosh, **North :** Land bearing Sy.No.182, **South :** Halla. **Boundaries of Unit/Villa No.07: East :** Pathway & Swatah Unit No.08, **West :** Pathway & Kalpa Unit No.08, **North :** Vedanta Unit No.06, **South :** Vedanta Unit No.08.

2. Name of Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: **(1) Mrs.Divya S.,** W/o Mr.Lakshmikanth B.K., **(2) Mr.Lakshmikanth B.K.,** S/o Mr.Karehanumaiah, **No.1 & 2 are residing at :** # 3099, 6th Main Road, 28th Cross, 2nd Stage, Near Water Tank, Kumaraswamy Layout, Bengaluru-560078.

Branch Name: Nelamangala Date of Demand Notice: 11.08.2021

Amount Demanded: Rs.58,27,394=85 [Rupees Fifty Eight Lakh Twenty Seven Thousand Three Hundred Ninety Four And Paise Eighty Five Only] under TL A/c No.5577001600024001 along with future interest from 17.07.2021, plus costs.

Date of taking Possession: 03.02.2022

Balance outstanding as on the date of possession: Rs.55,23,490=85 [Rupees Fifty Five Lakh Twenty Three Thousand Four Hundred Ninety And Paise Eighty Five Only] under TL A/c No.5577001600024001 along with future interest from 17.01.2022, plus costs.

Description of the Immovable Property: All that part and parcel of **Residential Property bearing BDA Site No.43, bearing Municipal No.43/43, New PID No.197-W0282-11, carved out of Sy.No.3 of Bikasipura land measuring 1200.00 Sq.Ft/111.41 Sq.Mtrs, [East-West: 9.14 Mtr and North-South: 12.19 Mtr]** and building constructed thereon measuring **2887.66 Sq.Ft** situated at BBMP Ward No.197, 4th Cross, 1st Main, Banashankari 5th Stage, Bikasipura, Bengaluru belonging to **Mrs.Divya. Boundaries as per documents : East By :** Property bearing Site No.42, **West By :** Property bearing Site No.44, **North By :** Road, **South By :** Property bearing Site No.36.

3. Name of Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: **(1) Mr.Basavaraju, S/o Mr.Krishnappa, (2) Mr.Krishnappa,** S/o Mr.Doddaiah, **(3) Mrs.Vijayalakshmi,** W/o Mr.Krishnappa, **(4) Mr.Vishwanath K.,** S/o Mr.Krishnappa **No.1 to 4 are residing at :** No.167, Old Sy.No.28/1B1, Raghavendra Layout, Kethiganahalli, Bidadi Hobli-562109, Ramanagara District **(5) Mr.Shivlingaiah,** S/o Mr.Chikkanna Hegde, Hunsehalli, KP Doddi Post, Kailancha Hobli, Ramanagara-562160.

Branch Name: Bidadi Date of Demand Notice: 25.10.2021

Amount Demanded: Rs.7,33,438=66 [Rupees Seven Lakh Thirty Three Thousand Four Hundred Thirty Eight And Paise Sixty Six Only] under PSTL A/c No.9057001800031501 along with future interest from 19.10.2021.

Date of taking Possession: 03.02.2022

Balance outstanding as on the date of possession: Rs.7,34,545=66 [Rupees Seven Lakh Thirty Four Thousand Five Hundred Forty Five And Paise Sixty Six Only] under PSTL A/c No.9057001800031501 along with future interest from 25.10.2021, plus costs.

Description of the Immovable Property: All that part and parcel of **Residential Property measuring 1,089 Sq.Ft, [East-West: 33 Ft and North-South: 33 Ft] Old Sy.No.28/1B1, bearing New Kaneshumari No.167,** together with building constructed thereon situated at Kethiganahalli Village, Bidadi Hobli, Ramanagara District belonging to **Mr.Krishnappa. Boundaries as per documents : East By :** Road, **West By :** Land of Honna Shetty, **North By :** Property of Mr.Krishna Reddy, **South By :** Property of Mr.Chikkanna.

4. Name of Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: **(1) Mr.Lokesh H.N.,** S/o Mr.Nanjundappa, **(2) Mrs.Prema,** W/o Mr.Lokesh H.N., **(3) Master.Shashwath Gowda,** S/o Mr.Lokesh H.N., **(4) Kumari Varshitha,** D/o Mr.Lokesh H.N., **(No.3 & 4 being minors represented by natural guardian Mr.Lokesh H.N.) No.1 to 4 are residing at :** Kallugoppa Halli Village, Hultar Hosa Doddi, Bidadi-562109, Ramanagara District **(5) Mr.Shivashankar K.,** S/o Mr.Krishnappa, No.95, Kallugopa Halli Village, Hultar Hosa Doddi, Bidadi-562109, Ramanagara District.

Branch Name: Bidadi Date of Demand Notice: 25.10.2021

Amount Demanded: Rs.5,30,238=62 [Rupees Five Lakh Thirty Thousand Two Hundred Thirty Eight And Paise Sixty Two Only] under PSTL A/c No.9057001800019101 along with future interest from 29.09.2021, plus costs.

Date of taking Possession: 03.02.2022

Balance outstanding as on the date of possession: Rs.5,46,465=62 [Rupees Five Lakh Forty Six Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Five And Paise Sixty Two Only] under PSTL A/c No.9057001800019101 along with future interest from 29.01.2022, plus costs.

Description of the Immovable Property: All that part and parcel of **Residential Property measuring 4,085 Sq.Ft, [East-West: 47.5 Ft and North-South: 86.0 Ft]** bearing **Khatha No.80/13/12/B** together with building constructed thereon situated at Kallugopahalli Village, Hulthur Hosa Doddi, Bidadi Hobli, Ramanagaram belonging to **1] Mr.Lokesh H.N., 2] Master.Shashwath Gowda, and 3] Kumari.Varshitha (No.2 & 3 being minors represented by natural guardian Mr.Lokesh H.N.) Boundaries as per documents: East By :** Property of Mr.Nanjundappa, **West By :** Property of Honnappa, **North By :** Property of Honnappa, **South By :** Road.

5. Name of Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: **(1) Mrs.Girijamma,** W/o Mr.Narayanaswamy, **(2) Mr.Narayanaswamy,** S/o Mr.Seenappa, **(3) Mr.Chikkanna,** S/o Mr.Seenappa, **No.1, 2 & 3 are residing at:** No.80, Mysore Road, Shyanumangala, Bidadi-562109, Ramanagara District

Branch Name: Bidadi Date of Demand Notice: 13.09.2021

Amount Demanded: Rs.23,09,082=32 [Rupees Twenty Three Lakh Nine Thousand Eighty Two And Paise Thirty Two Only] ie; Rs.11,62,170=03 under TL A/c No.9057001600027201 along with future interest from 09.09.2021 and Rs.11,46,912=29 under PSTL A/c No.9057001800048201 along with future interest from 18.08.2021, plus costs.

Date of taking Possession: 03.02.2022

Balance outstanding as on the date of possession: Rs.22,22,125=67 [Rupees Twenty Two Lakh Twenty Two Thousand One Hundred Twenty Five And Paise Sixty Seven Only] ie; Rs.11,47,518=38 under TL A/c No.9057001600027201 along with future interest from 09.01.2022 and Rs.10,74,607=29 under PSTL A/c No.9057001800048201 along with future interest from 17.01.2022, plus costs.

Description of the Immovable Property: All that part and parcel of **Residential Property measuring 101.17 Sq.Mtrs/1089.00 Sq.Ft [East-West: 10.0584 Mtrs and North-South: 10.0584 Mtrs] bearing Sy.No.28/4, Municipal Khatha No.198/D, Present Property No.15290040200262010,** together with building constructed thereon situated at Opp to Sri Anjaneya Swamy Temple, Shyanumangala Village, Manchanayakanahalli GP, Bidadi, Ramanagara Tq & District belonging to **Mrs.Girijamma. Boundaries as per Deed/Actual : East By :** Road, **West By :** Property belonging to the family of Madde Ramanna, **North By :** Thippe Halla, **South By :** Land of Seenappa in same Sy.No.28/4.

The borrowers/mortgagors/ co-obligants/ guarantors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers/mortgagors/ co-obligants/ guarantors and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the properties, as described herein above, in exercise of the powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on **03.02.2022.**

The borrowers/mortgagors/ co-obligants/ guarantors in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties mentioned herein above and any dealings with the said properties will be subject to the charge of **Karnataka Bank Ltd.,** for amounts as described herein above.

[The attention of the borrowers/mortgagors/ co-obligants/ guarantors is invited to provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.]

Place: Bengaluru /Bidadi, Ramanagara Taluk & District.
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SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION(E-Procurement Portal Only)

MESCOM Invites tenders for the System Strengthening works of electrical distribution network under "Madari Grama Yojane" in the following Villages of Kavoor & Bantwal Divisions of MESCOM on Total Turnkey basis vide respective bid enquiries cited below:-

Sl. No.	Name of the Village	Bid Enquiry No.	Reservation Category
1	Sajipamunnur	MESCOM/2020-21/EL/WORK_INDENT 1589/CALL-3	Others
2	Kavalamudur	MESCOM/2020-21/EL/WORK_INDENT 1591/CALL-4	
3	Kelinjar	MESCOM/2020-21/EL/WORK_INDENT 1601/CALL-4	
4	Kandavara	MESCOM/2020-21/EL/WORK_INDENT 1603/CALL-4	

The detailed tender notification information can be obtained by logging on to http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in on or after **08.02.2022**. Any further details can be obtained from the undersigned during office hours.

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E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE (FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES)

E Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with provision to Rule 8 (6) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower/s and Guarantor/s, that the below described Immovable Property Mortgaged / charged to Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Union Bank of India (erstwhile Andhra Bank), Ongole Main Branch-2,** Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"AS IS WHERE IS", " AS IS WHAT IS", and "WHATEVER THERE IS" on 24-02-2022,** for recovery of **Rs. 4,76,69,210.29 (Rupees Four Crore Seventy Six Lakhs Sixty Nine Thousand Two Hundred Ten and Paise Twenty Nine only) as on 30.11.2021** due to the **Union Bank of India (erstwhile Andhra Bank),** with subsequent interest thereon along with cost and expenses incurred by the Secured Creditor from

Borrower(s) 1. M/s. Devi Enterprises Mg. Partner : Mr. Chadalawada Chandrasekhar, D.No:17-176-8/1, Tangutur, Prakasam District, A.P-523274, **2. Mr. Chadalawada Chandrasekhar, S/o. Ch. Koteswara Rao,** D.No.9-100, Ramalayam Street, Tangutur, Prakasam District, A.P-523274. **3. Mr. Kamani Kesavulu Adopted S/o. Kamani Veeraiah** H.No:6-41, Sivalayam Street, Tangutur, Prakasam District, A.P-523274. **4. Mr. Chadalawada Chandrasekhar, S/o. Ch.Koteswara Rao,** D.No.9-100, Ramalayam Street, Tangutur, Prakasam District, A.P-523274. **5. Mr. Kamani Kesavulu Adopted S/o. Kamani Veeraiah,** H.No:6-41, Sivalayam Street, Tangutur, Prakasam District, A.P-523274. **6. Mr. Kamani Venkata Rao, S/o. Kamani Kesavulu,** H.No:6-41, Sivalayam Street, Tangutur, Prakasam District, A.P-523274.

Auction Date: 24-02-2022 & 3.00 PM to 4.00 PM

Property No	Reserve Price of the Property (Rs)	Earnest money deposit EMD (Rs)
1.	41,81,400.00	4,18,140.00

SHORT DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY:

Property : Residential Flat belonging to **Mr. Chadalawada Chandrasekhar, S/o. Koteswara Rao** (Owner of the Property) (Doc.No:2785/2007, K R Puram SRO, Bangalore) at Flat No B-104, First Floor, B-Block, Golden Palms Apartment, Kaggadasapura, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore with super Built up area of 1499 Sq. Ft. containing Three Bed Rooms with RCC roofing, Mosaic Flooring, Home Wood Doors and Windows, together with one car parking space, including proportionate share in common areas constructed in the following schedule of the property. **Schedule of the property (Flat) :** All that piece and parcel of the property presently bearing consolidated K.R.Puram City Municipal Council No.626, Measuring East to West on the northern side 493 feet, on the southern side 477 feet and north to south 90 feet, in all admeasuring 43,650 Sq.Ft and situated at Kaggadasapura, K.R Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore bounded by **East :** Private Property, **West :** 25 ft Private Road formed in Property No. 30, **North :** Private Property, **South :** Road. **Note :** The owner gets 121.25 Sq.Feet undivided share in the above scheduled property.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in **Union Bank of India websites www.unionbankofindia.co.in** and the e-auction providers' **website www.mstcecommerce.com.** To the best information and knowledge of the Authorized Officer, there is no encumbrance on the property. The interested bidder may contact the **AUTHORISED OFFICER Sri I Chandra Sekhar** ascertaining the details of auction and inspection of property on **15-02-2022 contact No. 9492909543 (M), Tel.No. 08592-233033,280067 E-Mail: bm0400@unionbankofindia.com.**

STATUTORY 15 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER RULE 8(6)/Rule 9(1) OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002. This may also be treated as notice u/r 8(6)/Rule 9(1) of security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 to the Borrower/s and Guarantor/s of the said loan about the holding of E-auction Sale on the above mentioned date.

Place : Ongole,
Date : 03-02-2022

Sd/- Authorised Officer,
UNION BANK OF INDIA (Erstwhile Andhra Bank), Ongole Main Branch-2, Ongole.

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REGIONAL OFFICE - WEST

[Format-Y] E-Auction Sale Notice under SARFAESI Act 2002

Sale of immovable assets under the Securitization and Reconstructions of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Hereinafter referred to as the Act).

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and to the Borrower/s and Guarantor/s in particular that the under mentioned property mortgaged to Canara Bank, Bangalore, the possession of which had been taken by the Authorised Officer of the Bank under Section13(4) of the Act will be sold by E-Auction as mentioned below for recovery of under mentioned dues and applicable interest, charges and cost etc as detailed below.

The property described below is being sold on "AS IS WHERE IS, WHATEVER THERE IS AND WITHOUT RECOURSE BASIS" under rule no. 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules (hereinafter referred to as the rules) for the recovery of the dues detailed as under:

Branch Address: Authorised Officer, Canara Bank, Mahalakshmi Layout Branch, Bengaluru

Name and address of Borrower : **(1) Smt. Rathnamma,** 5/30,3 Road Cross, Shivanandnagar, Nagarbhavi Main Road, Bengaluru - 560072, **(2) Mahesh. M,** 5/30,3 Road Cross, Shivanandnagar, Nagarbhavi Main Road, Bengaluru-560072.

The total amount due : **Rs. 8,98,280.32** as on 05.02.2022 plus further interest and cost.

Description of the Immovable Property: All the piece and parcel of the Property NO 30, (Southern Portion) Khatha No 2895, Kanesumari No 3276, 3rd Cross Shivanandanagar,Moodalapalya, Nagarabhavi Village, Yeshwanthapura hobli, Bangalore North Taluk Bengaluru 560 072. North : Remaining North Portion of the same Property, South : Site No 31, East : Property no 27, West :Road. **Known encumbrances, if any:** Not to the knowledge of the Bank.

The details regarding E-Auction are mentioned below:

Date and Time of E-Auction	21/02/2022 10.00 AM to 12.30 PM	
Reserve price / Earnest money Deposit (EMD)	Reserve Price (Rs. in Lakhs)	EMD (Rs. in Lakhs)
	Rs. Rs.51.50 lakhs	Rs. 5.15 lakhs
Details of Auction Service Provider	M/s.CANBANK COMPUTER SERVICES LTD Contact no 9480691777/8553643144;-e- mail: eauction@ccsl.co.in. Contact Person name:-MR PAKHARE D D /MR. RAMESH T H	
DD Favoring on RTGS/NEFT/Fund Transfer	Authorised officer, Canara Bank, Mahalakshmilayout branch, A/c No 6928295000001 IFSC Code: CNRB0006928 on or before 20.02.2022 - 5.00 p.m	
Bid Factor	Rs.50,000/-	
Date & Time of Inspection	20.02.2022, 10.00 AM to 5.00 PM	

Branch Address: Authorised Officer, Canara Bank, Tumkur Road Branch, Bengaluru

Name and address of Borrower : **M/s.Om Timbers,** #12/1 & 12/2, Nelagadaranahalli, Nagasandra Post, Bangalore-560073. Partners : **(1) Sri. Prafulchandra R Patel S/o Sri. Late Ratansi R Patel,** No. 331 "Gurukrupa Nivas", 2nd Main, Hmt Layout, Nelagadranahalli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore-560073. **(2) Mr. Bharat R Patel S/o Sri. Late Ratansi R Patel,** No. 331 "Gurukrupa Nivas", 2nd Main, HMT Layout, Nelagadranahalli, Bangalore North Taluk , Bangalore-560073. **(3) Mr. Manish P Patel S/o Sri. Late Praveen R Patel,** No. 331 "Gurukurpa Nivas", 2nd Main, HMT Layout, Nelagadranahalli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore-560073.

The total amount due : **Rs. 2,22,15,949.70** as on 05.02.2022 plus further interest and cost.

Description of the Immovable Property: (1) MODTD of Timber Yard measuring 19 guntas (this property consists of vacant Agricultural land attached to own Saw Mill) situated at Sy. No. 78/1, Basavanahalli, Vishveshwarapatna, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore -562123, standing in the name of Sri. Prafulchandra R Patel (one of the partner of the firm)

(2) MODTD of Timber Yard measuring 30 guntas (this property consists of a front office Building with Ground & First Floor & Saw Mill shed with vacant Agricultural Land) situated at: Sy.No. 78/2, Khatta No.198, Basavanahalli Village, Vishveshwarapatana, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore-562123, standing in the name of Sri. Prafulchandra R Patel (one of the Partner's of the firm)

(3) MODTD of Residential Building with Stilt, Ground, First, Second &Third Floors situated at: No. 331 "Gurukrupa Nivas", 2nd Main ,HMT Layout, Nelagadranahalli, Bangalore North Taluk , Bangalore-560073, standing in the names of Sri. Bharat R Patel & Prafulchandra R Patel (both Partners of the firm) **Known encumbrances, if any:** Not to the knowledge of the Bank.

The details regarding E-Auction are mentioned below:

Date and Time of E-Auction	08-03-2022 11.00 AM to 12.30 PM		
Reserve price / Earnest money Deposit (EMD)	SL No.	Reserve Price (Rs. in Lakhs)	EMD (Rs. in Lakhs)
	1	Rs. 275.50 Lakhs	Rs. 27.55 Lakhs
	2	Rs. 631.50 Lakhs	Rs. 63.15 Lakhs
	3	Rs. 211.00 Lakhs	Rs. 21.10 Lakhs
Details of Auction Service Provider	M/s.CANBANK COMPUTER SERVICES LTD Contact no 9480691777/8553643144;-e- mail: eauction@ccsl.co.in. Contact Person name:-MR PAKHARE D D /MR. RAMESH T H		
DD Favoring on RTGS/NEFT/Fund Transfer	Authorised officer, Canara Bank, Tumkur Road Branch, A/c No 6928295000001 IFSC Code: CNRB0006928 on or before 07.03.2022 - 5.00 p.m		
Bid Factor	Rs.1,00,000/-		
Date & Time of Inspection	07.03.2022, 10.00 AM to 5.00 PM		

1. The EMD shall be deposited through RTGS/NEFT/Fund Transfer to the credit of respected Accounts Mentioned above before submitting bids online. EMD can also be paid by way of Pay Order / Demand Draft in favour of Canara Bank Payable at Bangalore.
2. The intending bidders should submit the duly filled in Bid form (format available in the above website) along with DD/PO/quoting the UTR No. of NEFT/RTGS remittance towards EMD in a sealed cover addressed to the Authorised Officer, Canara Bank, Above Mentioned Address (Address of AO) so as to reach on or before above mentioned date.
3. Bidders are advised to visit the Bank's website **https://www.indianbankseauction.com** for detailed e-auction notice wherein all the terms and conditions of e-auction sale are furnished. Bidders may also visit the website of service provider or contact them as per the details given above for any clarifications/queries.
4. Intending bidders shall hold a valid Digital Signature Certificate, active email address and PAN number.
5. The undersigned has the absolute right and discretion to accept or reject any bid or postpone/cancel the sale or modify any terms and conditions of the sale without any prior notice and assigning any reason.
6. The sale shall be subject to the terms and conditions prescribed in the Act, Rules and the conditions prescribed in the detailed terms and conditions published in the website.
7. For further details contact the Authorized Officer, Canara Bank, Above Mentioned address.

Please treat this also as a notice under rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002 to the borrower/s and guarantor/s / mortgagor/s of the secured debt mentioned above regarding holding the said sale on the above mentioned date and time if their outstanding dues mentioned above are not re paid in full.

The interested bidders are requested to visit the bank's website for detailed terms and conditions of the auction sale which may be read as part and parcel of this advertisement

Note: EMD Shall be stipulated at 10% of the reserve price.*depending upon the asset of movable or immovable or both – retain the respective portion.

Place : Bengaluru
Date : 05.02.2022

Sd/- AUTHORISED OFFICER
CANARA BANK

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A GOVERNMENT OF INDIA UNDERTAKING)
(HO: Bangalore)

Branch: Kodamballi
1st Floor, Chamundeshwari Nilaya,Kodamballi Main Road, Kodamballi, Channapatna Taluk, Ramanagar District, Karnataka- 562138

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable property)

Whereas: The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **Canara Bank** under Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **12.10.2021** calling upon the borrower **1) M/s Vannaruthamma Brick Prop: Shri M N Arun Kumar** S/o Ninge Gowda repay the amount mentioned in the notice, being **Rs 37,61,151.00** (Rupees Thirty Seven Lakhs Sixty One Thousand One Hundred Fifty One only) within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under section 13 (4) of the said Act, read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said Rule on this **4th day of February the year 2022.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Canara Bank (name of the Institution)** for an amount of Rs **Rs.37,61,151.00** (Rupees Thirty Seven Lakhs Sixty One Thousand One Hundred Fifty One only) and interest thereon.

Description of the Immovable Property

Name of Title holder: Shri. Arun Kumar S/o Ninge Gowda:

Property Kaneshumari No: 375/1/279 (Old Sy No: 12/6,12/8,12/9 & 12/10) from East to West - 190 Feet, North to South - 480 Feet at Mangadahalli Village, Virupakshipura Hobli, Channapatna Taluk, Ramanagara District. East - Road And Harizan Colony, West - Land In Sy. No.- 11, North - Road & Land In Sy. No. 12/2, South - Road- Land In Sy. No. 12/1 & 'B' Schedule Property.

Date : 04.02.2022
Place : Kodamballi

Sd/-Authorized Officer
Canara Bank.

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HAROHALLI BRANCH
Address: Opp. IOC Petrol Bunk, Harohalli-562112
Mail Id:cb0433@canarabank.com

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property) [Section13(4)]

Whereas The undersigned being the authorized Officer of the **Canara Bank, Harohalli Branch,** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated 11-11-2021 calling upon the Borrower **1. Rajanna K.B** S/o Byrappa No.17, 2nd Cross, Om Shiva Shakthi Nagar, Ganapathipura Bangalore, **2.Co-borrower: Dhanalakshmi** W/o Rajanna K.B, Kaggalahalli (P), Harohalli, Kanakpura(Tq), **3.Guarantor : Sundramma** W/o Chikkanna Yedamadu, Kaggalahalli Po Kanakapura (Tq). to repay the amount mentioned in the notice of **Rs.39,28,423.69** (Rupees Thirty Nine Lakhs Twenty Eight Thousand Four Hundred Twenty Three and Sixty Nine Only) and interest thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement) Rules 2002 on this **4th day of February 2022.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Canara Bank, Harohalli Branch for an amount **Rs.39,28,423.69** (Rupees Thirty Nine Lakhs Twenty Eight Thousand Four Hundred Twenty Three and Sixty Nine Only) and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Details of Property: Immovable property in the name of late K.B.Rajanna. No.17, Khata 28, New No.384/28/17/428/268/524 Chunchangatta Main Road, Konanakunte, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore measuring East to West on the North 32 feet, on the South 31 feet, North to South on the East 21.6 feet, on the West 19 feet, having Boundaries, East: Road, West: Property of others, North: The Northern Portion of the same number, South: Property No.16.

Date : 04.02.2022
Place : Harohalli

Sd/-Authorized Officer
Canara Bank

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No.16, Sai Sumukha Square, Kathriguppe Main Road, IPI Layout Cross, Kathriguppe BSK 3rd Stage, Bengaluru - 85

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property) APPENDIX IV under Act- Rule 8(1)

Whereas The undersigned being the authorised officer of the **Bank of Baroda Kathriguppe Branch,** under the Securitisation and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with rule 8 &9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 has issued a demand notice dated **26.10.2021** calling upon the borrower **(1) Smt. Syeda Sakina Banu** No. 012, Global Meadows, 3rd Main, 4th Cross, BEML Layout, 7th Stage, 1st Phase, Mylasandra Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru **and also residing at:** No. 39, Harsha Layout, Kengeri, Bengaluru-560060 **Guarantor: (1) Sri Mehaboob Pasha,** No. 12, Global Meadows, 3rd Main, 4th Cross, BEML Layout, 7th Stage, 1st Phase, Mylasandra Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru **and also residing at:** No. 39, Harsha Layout, Kengeri, Bengaluru - 560060 **(2) M/s Wood Lounge Prop: Syeda Sakina Banu,** No. 773, Ground Floor, 100ft Ring Road, 7th Block, 2nd Phase, BSK 3rd Stage, Hosakerehalli, Bengaluru - 560085 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.59,51,818.40/-** (Rupees Fifty Nine Lakhs Fifty One Thousand Eight Hundred Eighteen and Forty Paisa Only) within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under sub section (4) of Section 13 of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 on this **03rd day of February the year2022.**

The Borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagors in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Bank of Baroda** for an amount of **Rs.59,51,818.40/-** (Rupees Fifty Nine Lakhs Fifty One Thousand Eight Hundred Eighteen and Forty Paisa Only) and interest thereon at the contractual rate plus costs, charges and expenses till date of payment.

The borrower's attention is invited to sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

Description of the Movable Property-A : Hypothecation of stock in trade of home furniture mattresses, Chairs, cables, teapoys etc. M/s Wood Lounge, No. 773, Ground Floor, 100ft Ring Road, 7th Block, 2nd Phase, BSK 3rd Stage, Hosakerehalli, Bengaluru - 560085.

Description of the Immovable Property - B: All that piece and parcel of the property residential property Flat no. 012, ground floor Global Meadows, having 1235 Sq.ft. with an undivided share of 370.50 Sq.ft. land situated at 3rd Main, 4th Cross, BEML Layout, 7th Stage, 1st Phase, Mylasandra Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru. Bounded: On the North by: Site no 456/A,456,455, On the South by: Road, On the East by: Site no 449,449/A, On the West by: Site no 445 (445,445/A, 445/B).

Place : Bangalore
Date : 03.02.2022

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Bank of Baroda

SHANGRI-LA BENGALURU

Shangri-La Bengaluru

(A Unit of Adarsh Realty and Hotels Private Limited)

Sealed tenders are invited for annual supply/service contracts in the following categories for the period from April 2022 to March 2023

Food Products: Local Vegetables and English Vegetables, Fruits and Imported Fruits, Meat (Beef, Mutton, Pork), Fish and Seafood, Poultry, Grocery (Indian & Imported), Frozen Foods, Egg, Oil Sunflower, Milk & Dairy Products.

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All Food vendors should meet Law and Regulatory requirements and Shangri-La expectations. Supplier hygiene/FSMS audit will be conducted by Shangri-La nominated third party & cost to be born by the supplier.

Tender forms will be available at below given address on a payment of INR 1000/- Cash or DD in favour of 'Adarsh Realty and Hotels Private Limited' for each category on a non-refundable basis between 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. from 07-02-2022 to 17-02-2022

Purchase Manager, Shangri-La Bengaluru, No. 56-6B, Palace Road, Bengaluru - 560 001, India.
Ph: (080) 45126592 / 45126593 / 45126595 / 45126590

All vendors who intend to supply food items should comply with FSSAI Act/Rules/Regulation. Copy of the FSSAI licence should be submitted along with tender documents.

The tender committee reserves the right to accept or reject the tenders in full or part without assigning any reasons whatsoever.

Sealed tenders must be addressed to 'The tender committee' Shangri-La Bengaluru. The due date for submission of filled tender forms is 24-02-2022 before 6 p.m. (All tender documents including quotes/ rates should be sent to tender.slbl@shangri-la.com)

Shivamogga Mahanagara Palike, Shivamogga

No.: SMNPS:ED-1:Tender:44/2021-22 Date: 03.02.2022

Tender Notice (Through e-Procurement)

Tender is invited through e-procurement in two cover system as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 1999-2000, Rules 2000 subject to Standard Tender Document Rules for implementation of the below mentioned works coming in the limits of Shivamogga Mahanagara Palike. Contractors interested in participating in the e-procurement Tender can obtain the details from website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in

1. Last date for submission of Application through e-payment online for e-procurement forms: 14.02.2022 (up to 4.00 PM) **2.** Date of opening Technical Bid through e-procurement: 15.02.2022, after 4.30 PM **3.** Date of opening Financial Bid through e-procurement: After 19.02.2022 **4.** Date of Pre-Bid Meeting: 19.02.2022 (After 11.00 AM) **5.** Further details can be obtained through e-portal and other details can be obtained during office hours

Sl. No.1. Indent Number: 127661 **Details of Work:** Providing UGD line to KSSIDC Estate premises, shimoga. **Amount (Rs. in lakhs):** 260.00 **E.M.D. (Rs. in lakhs):** 3.40 **Time Period of Work:** 3 Months **Class of Contractor:** Class II and above

Note: Any Changes or Corrigendum related to the Tender will be intimated through e-portal.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
Shivamogga Mahanagara Palike, Shivamogga

DIPR/smg/No.39/02/mca/21-22/1171

Town Municipal Council Office, Naragunda

Dist : Gadag, Phone/Fax : 08377-244227/244226

Email : itstaff_ulb_naragund@yahoo.co.in

No.: TMCN/Tender/14thF&15thF/2021-22 Date : 04.02.2022

Short-Term Tender Notice (Through e-Procurement)

Tender is invited through "e-procurement" system in prescribed documents from eligible contractors for undertaking the below mentioned development works of 14th Finance and 15th Finance of Town Municipal Council, Naragunda. Tender should be submitted only through e-procurement within 5.00 PM on **16.02.2022**. For e-procurement conditions and further information visit http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in and www.naragundatown.mrc.gov.in Town Municipal Council reserves the right to sanction or reject the tender. Any corrigendum regarding this tender will be published only in e-procurement portal. Notice will not be published in any newspapers.

Sl. No.	Indent No.	Reservation	Approx Amount (Rs. In Lakhs)
1	DMA/2020-21/BD/WORK_INDENT106078 /Call-2	Others	78.32
2	DMA/2021-22/OW/WORK_INDENT127347	SC	20.50
3	DMA/2021-22/RD/WORK_INDENT127354	Others	6.50
4	DMA/2021-22/OW/WORK_INDENT127364	ST	2.00
5	DMA/2021-22/WS/WORK_INDENT127370	Others	25.00
6	DMA/2021-22/OW/WORK_INDENT127358	SC	15.00
7	DMA/2021-22/WS/WORK_INDENT127391	Others	27.50

Sd/- Chief Officer, Town Municipal Council, Naragunda

Sd/- President, Town Municipal Council Naragunda

DIPR/Gadag/MCA/521/2021-22

Canara Bank

Yadavanahalli Branch

Bangalore Hosur Road - 562 107
Mobile : 9449862035
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AUCTION OF GOLD ORNAMENTS

The under mentioned persons are hereby informed that they have failed to pay off the liability in the loan accounts. They are therefore requested to pay off the liability and other charges and redeem the pledged securities on or before **20.02.2022** failing which the said securities will be sold by the Bank in public auction at the cost of the borrower at the Bank's premises at 3.00 P.M. on **20.02.2022** or on any other convenient date thereafter without further notice, at the absolute discretion of the Bank.

Sl. No.	Name Borrower	Loan A/c No.	Outstanidng amount
1.	Ranjith Kumar	06718390004050	Rs.103316/-

Date : 05.02.2022 Sd/-Manager

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Executive Engineer, Education Cell, Annexe-3 Building, 3rd Floor, BBMP Head Office premises, N.R. Square, Bengaluru-560002.

No: EE(Edu)/TEND/01/2021-22 Date: 05.02.2022

INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDER (IFT)

(Through e-Procurement Portal only) (Single Cover System)

The Executive Engineer (Edu) invites tenders from eligible tenderers for the works as detailed in the table below.

Sl. No.	Name of the work	Amount put to tender (Rs. in Lakhs)	EMD (Rs. in Lakhs)
1	Repairs and Maintenance of BBMP Primary School at Cottonpete Ward No. 109, Chickpete.	11.04	0.14
2	Repairs and Maintenance of BBMP Nursery School at Bhashyam Park, Ward No. 94, Gandhinagar.	8.47	0.11
3	Repairs and Maintenance of Kalasipalya Nursery School in Ward No. 139, K.R. Market.	8.53	0.21
4	Repairs and Maintenance of Kanakanapalya (Jayanagar) BBMP Nursery School in Ward No. 153 Kanakanapalya.	17.03	0.21
5	Repairs and Maintenance of BBMP Nursery School at Azad Nagar in Ward No. 141.	17.02	0.43
6	Repairs and Maintenance of BBMP Nursery School at Venkataswamy Garden Ward No. 137- J.J. R. Nagar.	8.50	0.21
7	AMC for Drinking Water, Toilets, etc.	29.02	0.58
8	Petty and Small Repairs to BBMP Schools and Colleges.	82.77	1.66

1) Tender documents may be downloaded from GoK e-procurement portal from **09.02.2022 onwards. 2)** Last date & time for submission of tenders: **19.02.2022 upto 4.00 p.m. 3)** Opening of technical bids : **21.02.2022 at 4.00 p.m.** Further details can be accessed from GoK e-procurement website: **https://eproc.karnataka. gov.in** or contact the office of the undersigned.

Sd/- Executive Engineer (Edu).

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HO: Bengaluru,
Branch Office : Indiranagar-II

Possession Notice

(Section 13(4)) (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the Canara Bank under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 0f 2002) (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a **Demand Notice dated 10.11.2021** Calling upon the borrower **Smt. Kalpana Muthu W/o. Muthu Annamalai, M/s. Shree Kaderi Enterprises, M/S North Star Concepts & M/s. Hotel Aura Inn** to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice, being **Rs. 54912978.92** (Rupees Five Crore Forty Ninety Lakhs Twelve Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy Eight and Paise Nine Two only) within 60 days from the date of receipt of the the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under Section13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said Rule on this **01st day of February 2022.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Canara Bank for an amount of **Rs. 54912978.92** (Rupees Five Crore Forty Ninety Lakhs Twelve Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy Eight and Paise Nine Two only) and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Section 13(8) of the Act,in respect of time avilable, to redeem the secured assets.

Description of the Immovable Property

All that part and parcel of property consisting of Site No. 2084 in Katha No. 228, PID No. 82-24-228, 1st Main, Kengeri Satelite Town, near Vijaya Bank, measuring 2400 sq.ft. within the registration sub-district Bangalore and District Bangalore - 560 060. Bounded on the North by: Site No. 2083, On the South by : Site No. 2085, On the East by : Site No. 2101, On the West by : Road 1st Main, 80ft.

Place : Bangalore
Date : 01.02.2022

Sd/- Authorised Officer Canara Bank

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA MINOR IRRIGATION & GROUND WATER DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER MINOR IRRIGATION & GROUND WATER DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT DIVISION, BELAGAVI.

PH NO.0831-2463850 / FAX NO.0831-2423008

No.EE /MI&GWDDD/BGM/TND/AE-1/2020-21/366 Date:04-02-2022

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (KW-4)

As per KTTP Act-2000 and recent Amendments the Executive Engineer Minor Irrigation & Ground Water Development Department Division Belagavi has invited the item rate TENDER through E-Procurement Portal System (https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in). Pertaining to Gokak Sub Divisions. Total 03 Nos. of work under 4702/2021-22 Head. Estimate Amount is Lowest Rs.106.00Lakhs and Highest Rs.444.00 Lakhs. The contractor should quote rates without adding GST except for KEB items of LIS work. The GST amount will be paid separately. In case of extension period of work, if GST rates are increased then the contractor himself should pay the increased GST amount. The work details can be obtained from 05-02-2022.

1. Pre bid meeting date:14-02-2022 at Morning 11.00 AM,2. Tender Receipt Last Date:15-02-2022 Evening 4.00 PM,3. Tender Opening Date:16-02-2022 Evening 4.30 PM (if possible),3. For Tender Details office address:Executive Engineer, Minor Irrigation & Ground Water Development Department Division Belagavi,4. Web Site Address:wwe.e-proc.karnataka.gov.in

DIPR/BGM/RO-NO-1455/MCA/2021-22

Sd/-Executive Engineer, M.I & GWDD Division, Belagavi.

Shivamogga Mahanagara Palike, Shivamogga

No.: SMNPS:AD:CR:63/2021-22 Date: 04.02.2022

Tender Notice (Through e-Procurement)

Tender is invited through e-procurement in two cover system as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 1999-2000, Rules 2000 subject to Standard Tender Document Rules for supply of below mentioned Vehicle and Machinery coming in the limits of Shivamogga Mahanagara Palike. Suppliers interested in participating in the e-procurement Tender can obtain the details from website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in

1. Last date for submission of Application through e-payment online for e-procurement forms: 21.02.2022 (up to 4.00 PM) **2.** Date of opening Tender through e-procurement: As per e-portal **3.** Further details can be obtained through e-portal and other details can be obtained during office hours

SlNo. 1. Details: Supply of Mini tipper having 3 CUM hydraulic tipping container (Open box type) to Shivamogga City Corporation, Shivamogga. (16 Nos) Indent No: DMA/2021-22/IND13319 **Approx. Amount (Rs. in lakhs):** 145.00 **E.M.D. Amount (Rs. in lakhs):** 2,90,000 **Grant:** 2021-22 15th Finance

SlNo. 2. Details: Supply of 6 CUM Tipper Truck for Shiva mogga City corporation. (2 No's) Indent No: DMA/2021-22/IND13324 **Approx. Amount (Rs. in lakhs):** 50.00 **E.M.D. Amount (Rs. in lakhs):** 1,00,000 **Grant:** 2021-22 15th Finance

SlNo. 3. Details: Supply of 6 CUM Tipper Truck for Shiva mogga City corporation. (2 No's) Indent No: DMA/2021-22/IND13326 **Approx. Amount (Rs. in lakhs):** 50.00 **E.M.D. Amount (Rs. in lakhs):** 1,00,000 **Grant:** SWM DPR Fund

SlNo. 4. Details: Supply of Vehicle Mounted Garbage suction machine for Shivamogga City corporation (2 No's) Indent No: DMA/2021-22/IND13321 **Approx. Amount (Rs. in lakhs):** 55.00 **E.M.D. Amount (Rs. in lakhs):** 1,10,000 **Grant:** SWM DPR Fund

SlNo. 5. Details: Supply of 6 CUM Tipper Truck for Shivamogga City corporation. (1 No's) Indent No: DMA/2021-22/IND13322 **Approx. Amount (Rs. in lakhs):** 25.00 **E.M.D. Amount (Rs. in lakhs):** 50,000 **Grant:** 14th Finance

Note: Any Changes or Corrigendum will be intimated through e-portal.

Sd/- Executive Engineer (Division-1), Mahanagara Palike, Shivamogga

DIPR/smg/No.24/02/mca/21-22/1170

Government of Karnataka TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT

Office of the Commissioner for Transport and Road Safety, 1st Floor, 'A' Block, TTMC Building, K.H Road, Shanthinagar, Bengaluru-560027.Ph: 080-22276433, E-mail: transcom@nic.in

No. CT/Env&e-Gov/PR-20(C)/2020-21 Date: 03-02-2022

Tender Notification (Through Government of Karnataka e-procurement portal)

Tenders are invited through e-procurement portal from interested bidders/ service providers for **Supply of Air pollution control awareness programme materials to Transport Department.** The last date for submission of tenders through e-procurement is **18.02.2022 before 5.00 P M**. More details can be had from Government of Karnataka e-procurement portal : **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in.**

Sd/-
Commissioner, Transport and Road Safety, Bengaluru.

DIPR/DDU/Gen/R.O.3200/2021-22

COVID-19. DO NOT PANIC, BE AWARE

Wear Mask | 6 Feet Follow Physical Distancing | Maintain Hand Hygiene

KARNATAKA HOUSING BOARD

Kamataka Housing Board

3rd Floor,Cauvery Bhavan, K.G Road, Bengaluru-560009.
Tel:080-22273511, 080-22100077
E-mail: cheifengineerkhb@gmail.com

No.KHB/EE/HO/MDRS/NON SR QUOTATION/2021-22 Date: 01.02.2022

Inviation for QUOTATION

SUB:-Non SR items Rates for preparation of estimate purpose only (list of Market rates for providing and supplying furniture and other essential materials to be provided for Morarji Desai Residential School at all District of Karnataka.

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1. Please be good enough to quote your lowest rates for Preparation of estimate. 2. The Quotation Shall be sealed and Subscribed as NON SR item rates for preparation of estimate purpose only "QUOTATION FOR list of Market Rates for providing and supplying Furniture and other essential materials to be provided for Morarji Desai Residential School at all District of Karnataka. 3. The rates shall be quoted for preparation of estimate for providing and Supplying Furniture and other essential materials for Morarji Desai Residential School at all District of Karnataka. The rates shall be inclusive of all taxes. 4. The details of maker name Quantity brand etc. of the material shall invariable be furnished. The Quotation without these particulars are liable for rejection. 5. The Conditional quotation will not be entertained. The Supplies are to be made as per department. 6. Quoted rate validity period is one year from the date of inviting the quotation. 7. Quoted rate inclusive all GST & other taxes. 8. The tender document will be issued from this office from 09.02.2022 to 10.02.2022 after paying Rs.500/- DD in favor of Housing Commissioner. 9. The Completed document should be Submitted on or before 4.00 PM 14.02.2022.

For further information, contact below mentioned office address: **Executive Engineer, Karnataka Housing Board, Cauvery Bhavan, Bengaluru Phone No. 080-22273511 / 080-22100077, website : https://khb.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/-
Executive Engineer,
Karnataka Housing Board, Bengaluru

DIPR/DDU/3220/AKAR/2021-22

COVID-19 - DON'T SPREAD RUMOURS. ACT RESPONSIBLY, AVOID INFECTION-NOT THE INFECTED.

Wear Mask | 6 Feet Follow Physical Distancing | Maintain Hand Hygiene

इंडियन बैंक Indian Bank

इलाहाबाद ALLAHABAD

New Horizon College of Engineering, Kadubisanahalli, Outer Ring Road Bengaluru 560103. Ph -080-25639994

APPENDIX- IV-A [See proviso to rule 8 (6)] Sale notice for sale of immovable properties

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **physical /constructive / Symbolic** (whichever is applicable) possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Indian Bank, New Horizon College of Engineering branch, Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 22.10.2021 for recovery of **Rs 59,90,950.00** (Rupees Fifty Nine Lakhs Ninety Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty only) (as on 23.11.2021) due to the **Indian Bank, New Horizon College of Engineering,** Secured Creditor, from **1. Mrs. Leelavathi S.** W/o Shreenivasan V., Sadhana Vidya Kendra, H. Muniraja Garden, Shivarama Karanth Nagar, K Narayanapura, Bangalore 560 077.**2.Mr. Shreenivasan V.** S/o Venkatarama Murthy, C/o Sadhana Vidya Kendra, H. Muniraja Garden, Shivarama Karanth Nagar, K Narayanapura, Bangalore ,560 077.Being both are legal heirs of Late Srivathsa S. Vajpey, the deceased.

The specific details of the property intended to be brought to sale through e-auction mode are enumerated below:

Detailed description of the Property	**SCHEDULE " A" PROPERTY** All the Piece and parcel of property bearing Nothern Portion of Site No. 33 formed out of property No. 21/1 measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 20 feet in all measuring 800 sq feet. Situated at 11th Cross, Oil Mill Road, Lingarajapuram, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk presently coming under BBMP limit belonging to Late Srivathsa S. Vajpey and bounded on:East by: 25 Ft wide Road,West by: Private Property,North by: Private Property,South by: Remaining Southern portion of same Site No. 33
Encumbrances on property	NIL
Reserve Price	Rs.60,00,000/- (Rupees Sixty lakhs only)
EMD Amount	Rs.6,00,000/- (Rupees Six lakhs only)
Bid incremental amount	Rs.50,000/-
Date and time of e-auction	**24.02.2022 between 11.00 am to 2 pm**
Property ID No	**IDIB6513519544**

Bidders are advised to visit the website (**www.mstcecommerce.com**) of our e auction service provider MSTC Ltd to participate in online bid. For Technical Assistance Please call MSTC HELPDESK No. 033-22901004 and other help line numbers available in service providers help desk. For Registration status with MSTC Ltd, please contact **ibapiop@mstcecommerce.com** and for EMD status please contact **ibapifin@mstcecommerce.com**.

For property details and photograph of the property and auction terms and conditions please visit: **https://ibapi.in** and for clarifications related to this portal, please contact help line number '18001025026' and '011-41106131'.

Bidders are advised to use Property ID Number mentioned above while searching for the property in the website with **https://ibapi.in** and **www.mstcecommerce.com**.

Date : 05.02.2022
Place : Bangalore

Sd/-Authorised Officer, Indian Bank

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

ULSOOR Branch
No: 18, Cambridge Road,
ULSOOR, Pin – 560008,
Bengaluru, Ph: 9483530791
e-mail: cb0791@canarabank.com

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to Rule 8 (6) and 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Ulsoor Branch** of the Canara Bank., will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and " Whatever there is" on **28.02.2022** from **10.30 A.M. to 11.30 A.M.**, for recovery of **Rs.32,66,868.30** as on 18.12.2021 with further interest is due to the **Ulsoor Branch** of Canara Bank from **1. J U M P, Prop: Eramma C S Raju, 2.Eramma C S Raju,** # 62, Ground Floor, Near J J Apartments, 23rd Cross, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru-560040

The reserve price will be **Rs.57,96,000/-** and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs.5,79,600/-.** The Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before **25.02.2022** before **4.00 pm.**

Details and full description of the immovable property with known encumbrances, if any:

All that piece and parcel of Immovable property bearing Unit No. F 105, First Floor Fifth Avenue Separate Corp No.182/26, Bounded on: East By : Brigade Road Corp Ward No76,B'lore, West By : Brigade Road, South By : Pvt Property, North By : Pvt Property Private Property Note: (Schedule A:) 414 sft SBA along with 192.57 sq ft UDS of Land Unit NO: F 105,first Floor ,"Fifth Avenue", Separate Corp No,182/26, Brigade Road, Corp Ward No,76,B'lore

EMD shall be deposited by way of DD favoring **"Authorised officer, Canara Bank, Ulsoor Branch"** OR through online (RTGS/NEFT/Fund Transfer) to credit to the account number **7949295000001 – CANARA BANK RO EAST, IFSC Code: CNRB0007949** on or before **25.02.2022 upto 4.00pm.**

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer service providers Website : https://indianbankseauction.com or may contact or may contact **Smt. N Kavitha Shetty,** Authorised Officer, Canara Bank, Ulsoor Branch, **Ph: 9483530791, 9945795999, email: cb0791@canarabank.com** during office hours on any working day.OR the service provider M/s.Canbank Computer Services Ltd, Bangalore, Contact No:9832952602/080-23469665, Email Id: eauction@ccsl.co.in.

Place: Ulsoor
Date: 05.02.2022

Sd/-Authorised Officer
Canara Bank, Ulsoor Branch

KARNATAKA STATE FINANCIAL CORPORATION

Branch Office: No.86/2, Hosapete Road, Ballari-583 102, (Ph: 08392-242719)

SALE OF INDUSTRIAL ASSETS AT SIRUGUPPA ON "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS" THROUGH E-AUCTION

Website: http:/eproc.karnataka.gov.in

Notice is hereby given to the effect that the immovable properties described herein have been taken possession under the provisions of **SARFAESI Act 2002** and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(4) read with Rule No.9 of security interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 will be sold through E-Auction on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS"** The interested persons for the purchase of following assets may participate in the bid through E-Auction.

1) M/s. Lakshmi Narasimha Swamy Para Boiled Rice Industries, Siruguppa

Name of the Partners:
1) Sri V.C.Narasa Reddy, 3) Smt Lakshmi Devamma
2) Sri Lakshmi kantha Reddy, 4) Smt Lakshmi Narasamma.

Dues : Rs. 336.26 Lacs as on 10-01-2022

Land and Building: The Land measuring 0.85 Acres (Out of the 2.00 Acres) situated at Sy. No. 68 /A1 and 68 /A3, Adoni Road, Siruguppa, Ballari District alongwith Buildings thereon of total builtup area of about 985.77 Sq. Mtrs.

Reserve Price : Rs. 59.08 Lacs **EMD : 5.91 Lacs**

2) M/s. Sree Lakshmi Narasimha Swamy Industries, Siruguppa.

Name of the Partners: 1) Sri V.Jaganath Reddy, 2) Sri V.Srinivas Reddy, 3) Smt V.Vijay Lakshmi 4) Smt V.Vasantha.

Dues : Rs 457.68 Lacs as on 10-01-2022

Land and Building: The Land measuring 1.15 Acres (Out of the 2.00 Acres) situated at Sy. No. 68 A/1 and 68 A/3, Adoni Road, Siruguppa, Ballari District alongwith Buildings thereon of total builtup area of about 2156.50 Sq. Mtrs.

Reserve Price : Rs. 72.77 Lacs **EMD : 7.28 Lacs**

*** Since the above properties are adjacent to each other, Interested bidders should bid jointly for both properties.**

Date of Inspection for all the above Properties **24-02-2022** between **11.00 am to 1.00 pm**

a) E-Auction Date and Time commencing from **08-03-2022 at 11.00 am** and closing on **15-03-2022** at **4.00 pm**

b) Last Date and Time for receipt of EMD and issue of Bid key on **14-03-2022** upto **1.00 pm**

This notice is also a 30 days statutory notice for sale of secured assets to the borrowers.

Terms and conditions of sale: The term and conditions of sale through E-Auction are detailed on website **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** The interested persons are advised to visit the aforesaid website.

For more details on participation in e-auction, Please contact **e-procurement** help desk number **080-22371090/22340060/ 23010900 and 23010901** or take hands on training at **e-procurement** cell, Room No.141, Gate No.2, M.S.Building, Ambedkar veedhi, Bangalore-560 001.

Place : Ballari
Date : 05-02-2022

Sd/- Authorised Officer, K.S.F.C., Branch Office, Ballari.

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ

ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರ್‌ರವರ ಕಛೇರಿ

ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ, ಇಲಾಖೆ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಮಂಡ್ಯ

ಸಂ : 13 / 2021-2022 ದಿನಾಂಕ : 01-02-2022

ಮಂಡ್ಯ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯ ವಿವಿಧ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಾಗಿ

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಏಟಂವಾರು ದರದ ಟಂಡರನ್ನು ಕೆಳಗೆ ಕಾಣಿಸಿದ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಾಗಿ ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಇ-ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ KW – 2 & 4 ರ ರೀತಿ ಎರಡು ಲಕೋಟೆ ಪದ್ಧತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು ಇ-ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ **https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಾಗಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಬಹುದು. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪೂರ್ವಭಾವಿ ಸಭೆಯನ್ನು [ಕೆಡಬ್ಲ್ಯೂ–4, ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಮಾತ್ರ] ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರ್, ರವರ ಕಛೇರಿ ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ, ವಿಭಾಗ ಮಂಡ್ಯದಲ್ಲಿ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 09–02–2022 ರಂದು ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 11–00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ ಕರೆಯಲಾಗಿದೆ, ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಾಖಲಾತಿಗಳನ್ನು ದಿನಾಂಕ 05–02–2022 ರಿಂದ ಇ-ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಡೌನ್‌ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ವಿಚಾರಣೆ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 14–02–2022 ಸಂಜೆ 4.00 ಗಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ, ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 15–02–2022 ಸಂಜೆ 4.30 ಘಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ, ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ 16–02–2022 ಸಂಜೆ 5.00 ಘಂಟೆ ನಂತರ, ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ 16–02–2022 ಸಂಜೆ 5.00 ಘಂಟೆ ನಂತರ [ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ 50.00 ಲಕ್ಷದೊಳಗಿನ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ] ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ದಿನಾಂಕ 18–02–2022 ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 11.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ ಅಥವಾ ನಂತರದ ಕೆಲಸದ ದಿನಗಳು. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆ ಬೆಲೆ ಇ-ಮೋರ್ಟಲ್ ರಂತೆ. ಕಾಲಮಿತಿ : ಮಳೆಗಾಲ ಸೇರಿ 1/2/4 ತಿಂಗಳು ಒಟ್ಟು 5(ಐದು) ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳ ವೈಕಿ ಗರಿಷ್ಠ ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. 200.00 ಲಕ್ಷಗಳು ಕನಿಷ್ಠ ರೂ. 0.97 ಲಕ್ಷಗಳು ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ ಬೆಲೆ ಇ-ಮೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ರಂತೆ ಕೆಲಸಗಳ ವಿವರ, ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ, ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ., ಮೊತ್ತ ಮುಂತಾದ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಳನ್ನು ಸದರಿ ಕಛೇರಿಯಿಂದ ಕಛೇರಿ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು.

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ಕಾ.ಇಂ.,ಲೋ.ಇ., ವಿಭಾಗ, ಮಂಡ್ಯ

Government of Karnataka

RURAL DRINKING WATER & SANITATION DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RURAL DRINKING WATER & SANITATION DIVISION, RAICHUR

Phone: 08532-295566, Email -id : eerwsd.rcr@gmail.com

No. EE/RDWSSD/RCR/ISRA/Tender/2021-22/1862 31-01-2022

SHORT TERM E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTIFICATION

On Behalf of Governor of Karnataka, Executive Engineer, Rural Drinking Water Supply & Sanitation Division Raichur Invites e-Tender from NGOs/VOs/SHGs (ISRA) to the District.

The eligible bidders are required to submit The bid in Two cover system through e-Procurement mode through portal http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in

1) Uploading of Blank Tender Document in the e-portal Website. : **02/02/2022,** 2) Last Date for receiving requisition for Blank Tender Documents & Receipt of Completed Tender Documents through e-portal : **16-02-2022 up to 5.00 PM,** 3) Time and Date of Opening of Technical Bid: **18.02.2022 @ 11.00 AM**, 4) Date of Opening of Financial Bid : **28.02.2022 @ 11.00 AM**

1) Name of Work : Selection and Empanelment of Implementation Support Resource Agencies (ISRA) (NGOs/VOs/ SHGs) for providing services related to IEC & HRD activities under Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) in rural areas under Rural Drinking Water & Sanitation Department in **Raichur, Sindhanur, Lingasugur & Maski Taluka** of Raichur District, 2) Amount Put to Tender (in Lakhs) : Rs. 88.54 Lakhs, 3) EMD Amount (in Lakhs) : Rs.1.77 Lakhs, 4) Tender Period : 1 Year, 5) Agency : NGOs/VOs/SHGs.

Pre-bid meeting on 20.02.2022 @ 11.00am at office of the Chief Engineer, Rural Drinking Water & sanitation Department, 1st Floor, KHB Complex, Cauvery Bhavan, Bengaluru-560090.

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Life is a balance of holding on and letting go

Keith Urban

BUDGET: BETWEEN PROMISE & REALITY OF STATE CAPACITY

THE political class aspired for an increase in transfer of resources to the poor. The analysts of the political economy argued for stimulating private consumption. Serendipitously the demands of politics and the needs of the economy were aligned at the bottom of the income pyramid, which is also the electoral base. Ergo the consensus in the run up to Budget 2022 — in the light of the elections, particularly in Uttar Pradesh — was that it would be designed to address populist sentiments.

That was not the route chosen. The Modi government presented growth (mentioned 16 times in Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman's 90-minute speech) as the antidote to the affliction of poverty and inequality. And to achieve growth, Budget 2022 is betting on a bigger bang for the buck from public expenditure on capital projects. The decision to eschew the temptation to take the populist road merits justifiable even if qualified applause.

THE THIRD EYE

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The promise of growth is challenged by the reality of state capacity. The plan for 'growth' in Amrit Kaal rests on the premise of increased allocations for public investment. While the headlines screamed higher allocations on capital projects, the devilish details reveal that the projected increase was more in the optics of accounting. In a sense, it is a tacit recognition of what the government can achieve — more pertinently, the limitations of implementation by both central and state governments.

The question which haunts the bet on growth via public expenditure is the less-than-promising track record and the state of inefficiency. This column has chronicled the faultlines in implementation of major projects (Infra Project Delays: Loss of Taxpayer Monies https://bit.ly/27Infra). The cost overruns for 480 projects, as per the government, stood over ₹4.46 lakh crore and some projects were delayed by over 300 months. For sure, the idea of PM Gati Shakti will enable better planning but factors leading to poor implementation and accountability persist. The budget illustrates the centrality of PPP in different domains including new areas such as logistics parks, agri zones and for rolling out Bharat Net. But PPPs are daunted by faultlines. The budget assures steps to enhance financial viability of projects "including PPP, with technical and knowledge assistance from multilateral agencies". That is promising but it also raises the flag on efficacy of previous attempts — for instance, whatever happened to the recommendations of the 2015 Kelkar Committee report on PPP.

There is much criticism for the inadequate allocations towards human development and sustenance — outlays for education, health subsidies and the rural employment scheme MGNREGS are lower. And given the state of rising penury and inequality, the anger is justifiable. Context is critical for assessment of policy and expenditure allocations. It is true that allocations matter. Equally it matters that much of the welfare delivered is under the states. And there is evidence that states have kept large unspent cash reserves parked with the RBI — in 2020-21 and again in 2021-22. Neelkanth Mishra, India Strategist at Credit Suisse, estimates that governments — largely states and central — are holding unspent cash of around ₹5.5 lakh crore, roughly 2.5 per cent of GDP.

This calls into focus accountability for management of taxpayer monies — available but not used for alleviation of misery and in expansion of GDP. Estimation of the loss to GDP must await finalised accounts and state budgets, but there is no disputing the loss of opportunity caused by unexplained idling of monies. And there are costs attached to idle money — data released by the RBI shows that the average borrowing cost of states has gone up to over 7.24 per cent. The opacity in public finance accounting allows laggards to get away. This calls for systemic reforms — and repair of reporting standards requiring governments to present data on unspent allocations and missed targets every quarter.

Notwithstanding the unexplained issue of unspent cash, the budget has offered states a grand package of ₹1 lakh crore loans, interest-free for 50 years, as a special initiative to catalyse investments. The idea is good but the track record of states in using special initiatives to clean up and enable growth is less than inspiring. This is best illuminated by the situation of the power discoms which were funded by the Power ministry's Ujwal DISCOM Assurance Yojana (UDAY) barely five years ago. This December, the government told Parliament that accumulated losses of discoms touched ₹5.07 lakh crore and outstanding payments to renewable companies stood at over ₹1.56 lakh crore.

There is no doubting the intent and the initiatives in Budget 2022 — ideas such as the digital integration of postal savings accounts with banks, creation of agri value chain, enabling systems for battery swapping to push e-mobility, the clearing of regulatory cholesterol — could catalyse investment and growth. But the rollout and multiplier effect of these ideas rests on the efficiency of implementation.

India's GDP is the sum of the growth generated across sectors and governments. The promise of the budget is challenged by the reality of state capacity.

ROGUES CAN BE DRESSED AS PRIESTS

POINT OF VIEW

T J S GEORGE

TO call Franco Mulakkal India's Rasputin would be unfair to Rasputin. The Russian mystic, though eccentric in his use of power, had dimensions of greatness. He gained influence in the court of Tsar Nicholas II by using his inherent abilities. Russia's traditional nobles resented the rise of an outsider — and finally got rid of him by feeding him cyanide. But they still feared him. So they threw the body into the river. The fear did not go away. So they tied heavy stones to the body to make it stay at the bottom of the river.

Franco Mulakkal does not come anywhere near the Russian in power or cleverness or the ability to create fear in others. He is a Roman Catholic Bishop. The domain he got to administer was Jalandhar in Punjab-Haryana, far away from areas where people of his faith live in large numbers and are aware of the dos and don'ts of their religion. This was a kind of domain isolation that gave him a freedom of action other Catholic bishops did not usually enjoy.

Evidently, he enjoyed that freedom. He enjoyed it so much that he became, as the record books noted, "the first bishop in Indian Catholic history to be arrested in a rape case." That a sessions court in Kerala declared him innocent of all sins did not change his image among the general public. Higher courts will no doubt have a chance to examine the matter.

Jalandhar has, according to the 2011 records, 8,889 Christians, accounting for 1.02 percentage of the population. For such a tiny herd, why a full-time bishop? The answer leads to Christianity's notorious habit of casting nets for wavering sheep. No religion has such a scandalous conversion appetite — as though a soul can be saved by changing the clothes one wears.

But, perhaps unbeknown to the general public, things have been happening in Punjab that attracted soul hunters. As one account puts it: "Thousands have embraced the new faith of Christianity, leaving their age-old religion of Sikhism. The prime and foremost reason is caste-related inequalities practised within Sikhism."

An article by Rajiv Tuli in December 2021 referred to new phrases like "Dalit-Sikh" and said: "Sikh Gurus spoke of caste-less society. But in practice, upper-caste Sikhs do not mingle with the lower castes such as Ramadasias and Ravidasias. There is no inter-caste dining or marriage... There is a lack of religious and social ways in which the alienation of these people can be addressed. So they are easily amenable to the trappings of conversion spread by the missionaries."

Christian missionaries are also infamous for the unscrupulous ways in which they cast their nets. "They use", as Tuli puts it, "all tactics such as spreading a lie, even giving incentives of various nature. One of the ways is by promising a visa to Canada, England or the USA upon conversion. They entrap illiterate and disabled people by convincing them that God would take away their pains and sufferings. Another way is by giving them incentives such as free medical aid in hospitals run by Christian missions, free education and financial benefits."

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The missionaries are daring in their imagination. "To dispel the belief that Christianity is foreign, Churches are coming up in every nook and corner of the state modelled in the shape of gurdwaras, Christian hymns are being sung in the form of kirtan. It was decided that a supreme body Shiromani Church Parbandhak Committee would be formed for the betterment of Christians in the state." (Any resemblance to Shiromani Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee is by no means a coincidence.)

To put it mildly — and also frankly — everything connected with expansionist Christianity is a challenge and a threat. It is natural that an ambitious man like Franco Mulakkal would see the opportunities his religion offered and went ahead with plans to exploit them. He became not only the shepherd of Jalandhar, but also secretary of the Regional Bishops Conference of North India. He has contributed significantly to the bad reputation gathered by sections of the Catholic hierarchy "who covered up sex abuse allegations and moved abusive priests to other parishes where abuse continued". The Church has a history of priests whose misconduct led to their getting "laicized" (meaning a clergy man being reduced to a layman). The scandals were numerous in the US, Canada, Chile, Ireland and Australia. Franco Mulakkal has been merely trying to include India in that distinguished list. Perhaps, the Church should give a promotion to the rogue.

FLYING TO JERUSALEM OVER THE YEARS

OPINION

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I was flying to Jerusalem. It was my maiden flight. I was going to Israel for a three-month field trip; what a luxury. These days, financial constraints considerably reduce the JNU-sponsored field visits to a week or ten days. The support in those pre-economic reform era came with 25 dollars per diem, along with international tickets. While the university committee approved my field trip in May 1987, procedural issues, RBI clearance and budgetary process delayed it by a year. Finally, the trip was set for the mid-1988, a few months after the outbreak of the First Palestinian Intifada.

But there was a catch. Since tickets were state-paid, one could fly only by Air India or on tickets issued by it. Planning the itinerary was horrendous. Jerusalem has no international airport, and its small airport was not accepting international flights. So one has to land at Ben Gurion Airport near Tel Aviv, about 60 km from Jerusalem (the relatively shorter Route 1 between Jerusalem and Tel Aviv came much later).

The time was 1988 and there were no diplomatic relations between India and Israel. Air India office suggested a circuitous route; Delhi-Rome-Tel Aviv-Cairo-Mumbai-Delhi. Cost and frequency removed Rome as the transit point for the return journey. As the ticket was paid in full, I was upgraded into Maharaja Class moments before boarding. As a first-time traveller, I was naïve about the frills and privileges of first class travel. Had my first Coke and quickly went sleep. The pilot woke me up with an announcement that we were flying over Lebanon. As I was looking at the beautiful Mediterranean coastline, the kid in me wondered: Why Rome? Can't I parachute here and reach Israel?

After some interesting moments during transit in the Rome airport (not sure if it was called Fiumicino International Airport then), landed in Jerusalem on July 4. A couple of persons I met in the early days said the same: You never come to Jerusalem once. Thought they were courteous and generous towards a gentle, kafir, infidel, pagan Indian in the holy city of Abrahamic faiths. I was wrong. Jerusalem became the nerve centre of my professional and personal lives. I have been regularly traveling to Jerusalem since that maiden trip.

However, while going to Jerusalem was exciting, it was a logistical nightmare. A breakthrough in Indo-Israel diplomatic relations on 29 January 1992 paved the way for an Indian embassy in Tel Aviv, but my logistical complications continued. The secondary boycott of Israel meant that since the 1960s, Arab countries refused overflight facilities to any aircraft flying to and from Israel. Given India's location, my options were limited.

The Camp David Accords of 1979 led to Egypt starting Air Sinai in 1982. Since I was residing in Delhi, this meant flying to Israel from Mumbai and this required commuting from domestic to the international terminal, a nightmare in the 1990s. It could still be but never tried in the past decades.

Royal Jordanian came to my rescue. The Israel-Jordan peace treaty concluded in 1994 and Jordan started flights to India catering to Israelis travelling to the East. Besides cost, it was logistically convenient; one could fly to Israel with a brief stopover and change of flight in Amman. The timing was perfect. I could finish my teaching assignments on Friday evening and take the early morning flight on Saturday. To manage the façade of the Arab boycott, Jordan had a feeder airliner, Royal Wings, for the Israel operations. After a short transit in Amman, the 30-minute flight took you to Tel Aviv. One hardly had the time to enjoy fruit juice before being told: 'Fasten your seat belt'. This route served me for over a decade.

Meanwhile, Air India wanted to garner a portion of the Israeli tourism market and started Mumbai- Tel Aviv flights. By then, El Al was flying to Mumbai as well as to Southeast Asia. Due to business rivalry, Air India's slots were almost identical to the Israeli airliner. However, since it could not fly over the airspace, Air India was flying over the circuitous Red Sea route. The route had to be abandoned. Moreover, time and cost meant flying to Delhi via Mumbai was not attractive. After a couple of trials, I returned to the Delhi-Amman-Tel Aviv route.

In the early 2000s, one could notice the transformation of the Queen Alia International Airport in Amman as it became a major transit hub for Indians and Southeast Asians traveling to Europe and America. When fog delayed arrivals in Delhi, Amman provided brief alternative accommodation in a hotel without any extra cost. Over time, the Jordanian cuisine became richer, healthier and more diverse. The shorter travel time and well-taken-care transit facilities resulted in Amman being a busy regional hub. To meet the growing market, the airport was modernised with more facilities, new buildings and even revamped runways. But the boom did not endure. Jordan could not compete with the richer Gulf Arab countries and Royal Jordanian curtailed its services.

I briefly tried the regionally well-connected Turkish Airlines and opted for the Delhi-Istanbul-Tel Aviv route. Like the Egyptians, Turkish authorities were not eager that Indians were using their airports for reaching Israel. One could feel the starring gaze of the security personnel and passport control, especially during Israeli-Turkish tensions. Then I shifted to Aeroflot. Moscow offered a perfect midway point between Delhi and Tel Aviv with multiple daily flights. Though a bit longer, the flights were comfortable, especially when Aeroflot revamped its fleet for the 2014 Sochi Winter Olympics. Moreover, the transit time was shorter, often just a couple of hours. Over the years, I heard that one could also try Uzbek (via Tashkent) and Ethiopian (via Addis Ababa) airliners, but I didn't.

Nearly three decades later, I finally returned to Air India in May 2018. On 23 March that year, Air India became the world's first carrier to use the Saudi airspace for flights to and from Israel. Travel time came down to just about six hours and removed all the other logistical hassles. This privilege caused murmurs among Israelis who felt that Air India was given an undue advantage. Eventually, the Abraham Accords of 2020 enabled Emirates (October) and Bahrain (November) to fly to Israel over Arab space with reciprocal arrangements for Israeli carriers.

As both countries mark the 30th anniversary of normalisation, traveling to Israel is now normal and even uneventful. This was not the case earlier and my journeys to Jerusalem were never simpler and were accompanied by historical memories, challenges, imaginative combinations and, of course, lots of fun.

QUOTE CORNER

Some argue that eating a few canapes with a glass of prosecco is hardly a reason to resign. But telling the truth matters, and nowhere more so than in the House of Commons where, like a court, truth must be told regardless of personal consequences

Nick Gibb, Conservative MP

Trump is wrong. I had no right to overturn the election. The presidency belongs to the American people and the American people alone. And Kamala Harris will have no right to overturn the election when we beat them in 2024.

Mike Pence, former US vice-president

I know that to most people, there is no context where a white person is ever allowed to say that word, never mind publicly on a podcast, and I agree with that now. I haven't said it in years.

Joe Rogan, American podcaster

MAILBAG

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Give voters their due

It was rather shocking to read that voters of certain tribal hamlets in the Tirupur district were denied the right to vote in the local body elections for the past 75 years (Feb 5). The right was conferred after several rounds of talks with the administrators shows the plight of the people in the largest democracy in the world. This is very pathetic and more serious. Denying voting rights is an assault on democracy. The Election Commission should see that all eligible voters do participate in the elections and exercise their franchise.

Sravana Ramachandran, Chennai

Diplomatic boycott of Games

India's move to boycott the Winter Olympics opening and closing ceremonies at Beijing was warranted in light of China's appointment of PLA regiment commander as an Olympic torch bearer. China is pulling out all stops to denigrate and needle India. This also demonstrates the amount of animosity it harbours against us. The feature emerging now is that unlike the covert ways in the past, it is so desperate that it is stooping to cheap tricks and tactics in an overt manner.

Deepak Singhal, Noida

Unwanted fight over NEET

The news item ' Sparks fly in Delhi over NEET mess' (Feb 5) is the most distressing development following the TN Governor returning the anti-NEET Bill for the Assembly's reconsideration which is not good for a healthy democratic set-up. When other states are taking concrete steps to prepare our students for NEET, what is point of opposing the common medical test now when more than 500 government school students got admission in medical course this year? Instead of unnecessary political interference, it is paramount for the government to upgrade the hackneyed State Board syllabus and the quality of government schools on par with CBSE so as to help our students.

R Pichumani, Kumbakonam

World needs skilled labour

This has reference to the write up, 'Unemployment: The elephant in the room' by Ashoke K Maitra(Feb 5). The author has aptly pointed out that India is in dire need of a skilled labor force. Skilled work force is the need of the hour all over the world. But we have done so little so far. Take for instance the MGREGS. The government is simply pumping enormous funds. Workers are unskilled at the outset which is understandable, but the government could have made them semi or fully skilled. Likewise there is much scope for apiculture in parts of states like Maharashtra, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and Kerala due to proximity to the Western Ghats. But the potential remains untapped for years. This article is a must read and an eye opener for every MP.

G Nataraja Perumali, Tenkasi

Mismanaging the pandemic

This is with reference to the editorial 'Covid 19 death audit is a must in Kerala' (Feb 5). Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan, particularly, and the LDF government, in general, have immensely benefitted from the national as well as international glory over ideal covid management that actually didn't exist. Even winning a successive term in elections could be partly attributed to this. While a death audit is a must, that's not enough. People need to know who all played roles behind hiding facts. Where has all the LDF's Covid control gone except for the initial few months of outbreak?

Geetha B K, Mangaluru

Lessons for our lawmakers

The Supreme Court has come down correctly quashing the one-year suspension of the 12 BJP legislators by the Maharashtra Assembly. While it has been welcomed by all the political parties, the spirit of the judgment is lost on the political parties and they continue to indulge in unruly conduct inside the legislatures disregarding prudent and gentlemanly behavior expected of them. In the process, they are setting wrong precedents. The presiding officers are acting as agents of the ruling parties and not as referees of unbiased minds.

V Padmanabhan, Bengaluru

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Priyanka Gandhi Vadra @priyankagandhi
Vote for those who start bharti (employment), reject charbinikaalne wale (people professing to end haughtiness, arrogance)

Jayant Chaudhary @jayantrld
This election is #bhachara (brotherhood) versus BJP! In #NewIndia 'Akif Bhai' Zindabad is called 'Pakistan Zindabad'..

Ravi Shankar Prasad @rsprasad
Transportation of goods through Ganga is a symbol of PM Modi's resolve to advance development through road, rail, digital & now river

Conviction rate in trafficking cases declines

Seven states saw zero conviction last year, experts feel victims need assistance & guidance to set record straight

NATIONAL CONVICTION RATE

The victims come from very poor families and are generally daily wage labourers. Coming for case hearings means losing their day's earnings which is a huge problem

Shilpi, NGO director

SANA SHAKIL @ New Delhi

CONVICTION rate in human trafficking cases has been consistently declining over the past four years, according to official data. Experts say inadequate support for victims is the primary reason for this, as more and more of them are turning hostile which is leading to a high number of acquittals in such cases.

The Union Ministry of Home Affairs shared statistics on trafficking cases in Parliament this week. According to it, as many as seven states — Assam, Chhattisgarh, Kerala, Goa, Maharashtra, Odisha, Punjab — did not see a single conviction in such cases. All cases related to this in 2020 resulted in acquittals or discharges.

Conviction rate in Telangana and West Bengal stood abysmally low at 1.9%. In 2020, Tamil Nadu registered the best conviction rate at 66.7%, followed by Delhi at 40%, Madhya Pradesh 25%, Uttarakhand 20%, Jharkhand 19.2% and Andhra Pradesh 8.2%.

Shilpi, director of Bhoomika Vihar, an NGO in Bihar that works with brides who were trafficked, said the government has to come up with some sort of allowance for victims to ensure they attend court hearings regularly. "The victims come from very poor families and are generally daily wage labourers. Coming for case hearings means losing their day's earnings which is a huge problem. The government should consider giving allowance to such victims to ensure the cases reach their logical ends."

Noted criminal lawyer from West Bengal, Mit Guha Roy called for proper implementation of government schemes to ensure better conviction rates.

A panel lawyer with Calcutta High Court Legal Services Committee, Guha Roy said delays in disbursement of compensation is a big issue. "Victims get confidence to pursue cases if compensation is disbursed in 3-4 months. It usually takes longer, about a year. The Sakhi scheme, if implemented properly, can be of great assistance but that's not the case."

Sakhi scheme, also known as One-Stop Centres, aims at facilitating women victims with a range of integrated services under one roof.

BEHIND THE BARS

STATE/UT	No. of undertrial prisoners	Upto 3 months	6 to 12 months	1 to 2 years	2 to 3 years	3 to 5 years	Above 5 years
Uttar Pradesh	80,557	22,985	13,663	12,442	7,504	5,248	2,877
Madhya Pradesh	31,712	11,042	5,373	5,495	1,721	881	162
Bihar	44,187	20,045	6,767	4,320	1,872	878	252
Maharashtra	26,171	7,794	4,256	4,014	3,517	2,338	553
West Bengal	20,144	6,157	3,231	3,262	2,898	630	200
Jharkhand	17,103	4,814	3,491	2,636	1,625	1,105	304
Rajasthan	16,930	5,591	2,567	2,816	1,460	917	474

Majority prisoners in India are undertrials

KANU SARDA @ New Delhi

UNDERTRIAL prisoners account for 62% of India's total prison population against the world average of 18-20%. Uttar Pradesh, the country's most populous state, has the highest number of convicted prisoners, followed by Madhya Pradesh and Bihar.

In terms of undertrials, UP logged the highest number of prisoners with 80,267 followed by Bihar with 44,113 and Madhya Pradesh with 31,695. The figures are up to March 31, 2020. Majority of undertrials were in the age group 18-30, followed by 30-50 and 50 and above.

Due to the high pendency rates in courts, the share of undertrials confined in prison for more than one year, more than three years and more than five years has increased substantially. The Supreme Court has on many occasions said that undertrials should not be subjected to incarceration only for the reason of non-furnishing of bail bonds.

Last year, the top court in said, "While deprivation of personal liberty for some period may not be avoidable, the period of deprivation pending trial/appeal cannot be unduly long. At the same time, timely delivery of justice is part of human rights and denial of speedy justice is a threat to public confidence in judiciary."

There are 1,339 prisons in this country, and approximately 4,66,084 inmates inhabit those. According to the National Crime Records Bureau, the occupancy rate of Indian prisons is 117.6%, and in states such as Uttar Pradesh and Sikkim, the occupancy rate is as high as 176.5% and 157.3%, respectively.

Delimitation panel proposes major changes in Kashmir

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

THE Delimitation Commission in its draft report has proposed major changes in Assembly and Lok Sabha constituencies in Jammu and Kashmir, especially in the Valley. The commission has stuck with its stand in the first report of increasing six Assembly seats in the Jammu region and only one in Kashmir.

The report, which was handed over to five associate members of J&K on Friday evening, has been outrightly rejected by the NC and the PDP.

In the draft report, many Assembly seats in Kashmir have either vanished or redrawn with new seats. For instance in Srinagar, which had eight seats in erstwhile J&K state, four seats, Hazratbal, Khanyar, Sonawar and Eidgah, were retained but the remaining four were merged. The new seats in Srinagar are South Srinagar, Chanapora, Zoonimar and Central Shalteng.

Parl seats too change

The commission has also proposed major changes in three parliamentary seats in Kashmir. Pulwama, Tral and some areas of Shopian, which were part of the Anantnag LS seat, will now be part of the Srinagar parliamentary seat. Thus the Srinagar LS seat will be spread over five districts

The Habba Kadal seat in Srinagar, which had many Kashmiri Pandits, has disappeared. As per the draft, voters of Habba Kadal will be part of at least three seats. In Baramulla, Gulmarg and Sangrama are no longer there and two new seats, Tangmarg and Kunzer, have been created by redrawing boundaries of old seats.

In south Kashmir's Kulgam, which had four seats, the commission has proposed only three seats, D H Pora, Kulgam and Devsar. Shalibugh and Noorabad were redrawn and merged with DH Pora and Devsar. In Anantnag, which had six seats, seven seats were proposed by the Delimitation Commission. Kokernag and Shangus were redrawn and merged with Larnoo, Anantnag West and Anantnag East.

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It has also proposed redrawing of the Anantnag parliamentary seat by including Rajouri and Poonch from the Jammu region.

TOY STORY

A toy train on the Kalka-Shimla heritage track after snowfall in Shimla | PTI

EXPRESS READ

J&K portal to monitor performance of employees

Jammu: Jammu and Kashmir Chief Secretary A K Mehta on Saturday launched the Employees Performance Monitoring (EPM) portal for assessing the monthly work of all government employees in the Union Territory, an official spokesperson said. Terming the initiative path-breaking, Mehta said it'll take good governance practices a notch higher in the Union Territory. He complimented the joint team of General Administration Department (GAD) and National Informatics Centre (NIC) for developing the portal in a short time to boost administrative efficiency, the spokesperson said.

MUMBAI

Traffic snarls cause divorce, says Fadnavis wife; panned

PTI @ Mumbai

TRAFFIC congestions deny 'family time' to people and cause three per cent of divorces in Mumbai, former Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis's wife Amruta Fadnavis claimed.

The remark drew ridicule from the Shiv Sena, which controls the Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC), which is headed for elections this year.

Fadnavis made the comment after attending a function organised by a local BJP unit on Friday. She was asked by reporters about the condition of roads in the city.

"I am saying this as a common citizen because I see potholes and traffic jams daily. Do you know how many divorces are taking place because of it in Mumbai? Three per cent," she said.

"People can not find time for their families because of traffic issues," Fadnavis, a banker by profession, added.

Reacting to the remark, Shiv Sena Rajya Sabha member Priyanka Chaturvedi tweeted, "Best (ill)logic of the day award goes to the lady who claims 3 per cent Mumbaikars are divorcing due to traffic on roads. Please take a holiday break rather than having a mind on brake. Bengaluru families please avoid reading this, can prove fatal for your marriages."

Mumbai mayor Kishori Pednekar said people associated with BJP are making such comments. "People are fed up with such comments," she said. Civic polls will be held in Mumbai this year.

Other allies of Shiv Sena in the Maha Vikas Aghadi government in Maharshtra — Nationalist Congress Party (NCP) and Congress — were yet to react to Fadnavis's statement when reports last came in on Saturday.

After TMC, CPM terms Cong a weakened force

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

AFTER Trinamool Congress (TMC), the Communist Party of India (Marxist) has describing the Grand Old Party as a 'weakened' one which is 'unable' to mount an ideological challenge to Hindutava forces. The CPM said in its 80-page Draft Political Resolution.

The Draft will be presented at the party's 23rd Congress in Kerala from April 6-10. The CPM has also stated it will cooperate with all secular parties to defeat BJP. The CPM, which has nine MPs in the both Houses of Parliament and 88 MLAs in different state Assemblies , has stated the political influence of Congress has been declining and it has 'plunged' in a series of crisis with defection of several leaders.

At the same time, CPM said that as part of its plan to cooperate with secular forces, it will tie up with Congress if necessary. It can be noted that in West Bengal, Congress and CPM put up a joint fight against TMC in the last two Assembly elections in 2016 and 2021.

"A weakened party is unable to rally the secular opposition parties," said the Draft. The CPIM feels that due to its declining influence, Congress is not in a position to effectively mount an 'ideological' challenge to BJP and other fascist forces. The CPM also grudges that Congress has adopted a compromising approach. The CPM's Draft states further that when elections take place, appropriate tactics will be adopted to make sure that anti-BJP votes do not get split.

Earlier, many prominent leaders of TMC stated frequently that Congress is not in a position to provide an effective opposition against BJP.

Pavan K Varma and Mahua Moitra, both prominent TMC leaders, have also said that the current leadership of Congress seems 'unable' to create a vibrant and strong opposition against the BJP, its associates other Hindutava forces.

The Congress leaders have repeatedly refuted such claims and even accused the TMC of helping BJP gain ground by poaching leaders.

Mumbai Covid cases decline

Mumbai: Mumbai on Saturday reported 643 fresh COVID-19 cases, taking the tally in the metropolis to 10,50,837, while four deaths increased the toll to 16,658, a civic official said. It was the third consecutive day when new cases remained below 1,000, with Friday and Thursday seeing 846 and 827 infections, respectively. He also said 553, or 86% of the 645 cases detected were asymptomatic, while 92 required hospitalisation in the last 24 hours. Only 1,558 of the 37,192 beds earmarked for COVID-19 treatment are currently occupied in the capital of Maharashtra, the civic official added.

Ganga basin at heart of Azadi Mahotsav

PARVEZ SULTAN @ New Delhi

THE districts along Ganga will witness frenzied cultural activities and celebrations around August 15. The tourism ministry and National Mission on Clean Ganga (NMCG) are planning a series of events including fairs and exhibitions to promote tourism and cultural heritage under Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav, an initiative to commemorate 75 years of Independence, in 75 towns located along the length of the river.

According to government officials privy to developments, the focus will be on places associated with freedom struggle, especially the 1857 rebellion. Officials said these activities would help the government strike a better connect with locals and also help sustain the river cleaning process undertaken by the NMCG.

"Income of people living along the Ganga will grow. Through a plethora of events under Amrit Mahotsav, we are planning several initiatives in and around the river basin to be taken up as part of a tourism promotion in the next one year. We started cultural mapping of the region along the river with the Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage and results are amazing. Some sites have been identified which can be developed into tourism circuits," said an official.

The officials of the tourism ministry and NMCG recently held a meeting to identify and deliberate ideas to be taken up as part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav celebrations.

"We are planning a lot of activities to improve connect with people by focusing on the cultural aspect of the Ganga to boost tourism in those areas. The NMGC is in touch with the Inland Waterways Authority to set up jetties and roll-on/roll-off terminals which can be used for movement across the river and encourage local tourism. Under AKAM, we are planning massive programmes along the Ganga basin."

More than 2.65 lakh posts lying vacant in Indian Railways

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

AT A GLANCE

ZONE	Gazetted vacant posts	Non-gazetted vacant posts
Central Railway	56	27,177
East Coast Railway	87	8,447
Eastern Railway	195	28,204
East Central Railway	170	15,268
Metro Railways	22	8,056
North Central Railway	141	9,336
North Eastern Railway	62	4,231
NF Railway	112	15,677
Northern Railway	115	37,436
North Western Railway	100	15,049
South Central Railwa	43	16,741
South East Central	88	9,420
South Eastern Railway	137	6,847
Southern Railway	161	9,500
South Western Railway	65	9,500
West Central Railway	59	11,073
Western Railway	172	26,227

AMIDST growing unemployment in the country, more than 2.65 lakh gazetted and non-gazetted posts under various categories are vacant in the Indian Railways (IR) for several years. Contrary to claims of employment generation, the Railways has been recruiting at a snail's pace.

A couple of days ago, Union Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw admitted that there are vacancies in 2,65,547 posts, including 2,177 for gazetted posts, in various zones. This is in spite of 1,89,790 recruitments in the last five years through the Railway Recruitment Board and Railway Recruitment Cells.

The railway minister said that filing up of existing vacancies is an ongoing process in the Railways, depending on operational requirements.

According to official figures, Northern Railway has the highest of 37,436 non-gazetted vacancies, followed by Eastern Railway with 28,204, Central Railway with 27,177 and Western Railway 26,227.

The highest of 195 gazetted-post vacancies are in Eastern Railway, followed by Western Railway with 172, East Central Railway with 170 and Southern Railway with 161. These posts have been lying vacant for several years.

Apart from all these vacant posts in different zones, around 507 gazetted posts and 12,760 non-gazetted posts are vacant in other units of the Railways. In the Metro Railways, there are 22 vacancies in gazetted pots and 856 in non-gazetted posts.

At the moment, there is no clarity on how, when and whether so many vacant positions will be filled.

ESCAPE FROM HEAT

Rajkot first Indian city to pilot urban cooling action plan

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA @ Ahmedabad

THE United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) has chosen Rajkot to become India's first city to develop an urban cooling action plan to combat extreme heat and bring solutions for sustainable cooling. ICLEI South Asia, which made the announcement, is a non-governmental organization that works in the sustainability space.

ICLEI South Asia is the technical partner to UNEP in this project. A customized methodology is being developed for the city, in partnership with the UNEP-led Cool Coalition, which plans to coordinate and integrate municipality-led action on extreme heat and sustainable cooling. According to ICLEI South Asia, Rajkot is located in a semi-arid zone, which experiences very hot and dry summers. Increasing urban heat has led to a growing demand for cooling. Concerted efforts are required across sectors.

The new project will help bring together all municipal departments and relevant agencies to develop and implement an integrated urban cooling plan. It prioritises development of green spaces, energy-efficient buildings, district cooling, and other active and passive cooling solutions, officials said.

"A customised methodology is being developed for the city, in partnership with the UNEP-led Cool Coalition, which plans to coordinate and integrate municipality-led action on extreme heat and sustainable cooling," ICLEI's website says.

Deputy Commissioner at the Rajkot Municipal Corporation, Chetan Nandani said, "Rajkot has always shown readiness when it comes to adaptability and engagement with projects beneficial to the city and its people. Our multi-layered response, whether political or bureaucratic, has always been positive. This could be one of the reasons why Rajkot has been considered." Rajkot was selected as the first pilot city, considering Rajkot Municipal Corporation's interest in spearheading sustainable development interventions.

SNOWFALL IN SIKKIM

Parts of Sikkim and adjoining North Bengal received fresh snowfall following which temperature plummeted across the Himalayan and Dooars regions on Saturday

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INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	31	13	Mumbai	31	15
Bhopal	25	09	Panaji	30	20
Jaipur	23	11	Patna	20	12
Amritsar	19	06	Lucknow	18	10
Chennai	32	23	Port Blair	30	25
Kolkata	23	14	Imphal	21	07
Srinagar	09	01	Chandigarh	17	05

ASSEMBLY ELECTION 2022 DECIDE

SP bets on BJP's winning formula

Expanding beyond traditional Yadav-Muslim vote bank, Akhilesh woos non-Yadav OBCs

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

AS election dates draw closer in UP, it is becoming clear how the principal contenders, the BJP and the Samajwadi Party, have arrayed their caste combinations. While the saffron camp has kept its focus intact on its winning formulae, the SP seems to have gone beyond its traditional Muslim-Yadav (MY) combination through its non-Yadav OBC outreach.

Both parties have declared most of their candidates across the phases, barring a few ones. The scramble is for the non-Yadav OBC vote bank.

The BJP has been working on the caste equations painstakingly besides furthering its political agenda to return to power for a second consecutive term.

In 2014 and 2019 Lok Sabha elections and 2017 UP assembly polls, the saffron party had drawn dividends as it forged a new social calculus around non-Yadav OBCs, non-Jatav Dalit communities and upper castes. The party suffered a blow in perception when three of its non-Yadav OBC ministers — Swami Prasad Maurya, Dara Singh Chauhan and Dharam Singh Saini along with a dozen sitting BJP MLAs — deserted last month.

The party has announced 315 names across the state so far and has reposed faith in around 53.5 per cent candidates coming from non-Yadav OBC and SC/ST combination.

On the other hand, SP has preferred smaller caste-based outfits for alliance. Going beyond its traditional 'M-Y' combination, it has nominated around 48% non-Yadav OBC and SC/ST candidates.

The BJP has nominated 100 non-Yadav OBCs and 67 SC/ST candidates, announcing 167 of 315 names so far. The SP has fielded 81 OBCs other than Yadavs and 60 from SC/ST category. The figures of both the parties make it clear that they have fielded nearly the same number of SC/ST candidates.

"The BJP has repeated its policy of roping in a chunk of OBCs and Dalits to make inroads into the core vote base of SP and the Bahujan Samaj Party this time. The SP, which has had a consolidate Yadav and Muslim vote bank behind it, has relied on a considerable number of non-Yadav OBCs to expand its reach by toeing the same line as that of the BJP," says JP Shukla, a prominent political analyst.

> **The SP, which has a consolidated Yadav and Muslim vote bank, has put stakes on a considerable non-Yadav OBCs to expand its reach by toeing the same line as that of the BJP**
>
> JP Shukla, analyst

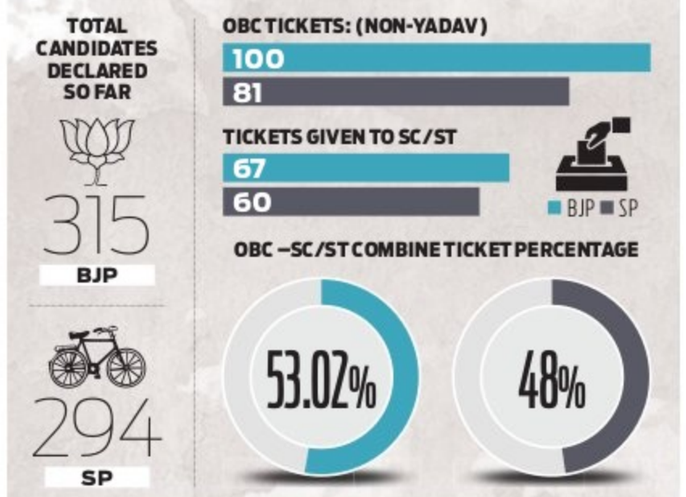
BJP's non-Yadav OBC candidates include Kurmi, Lodhi, Kushwaha, Saini, Nishad, Sahkya, Kumhar, Sonar, Pal, Rajbhar, Chauraia, Kalwar, Kashyap and Alakh. The party has given tickets to around half-a-dozen Yadavs.

According to political analyst PN Arya, BJP drew big gains in the 2017 elections riding on the support of the OBCs. Other political parties have realised the significance of this and given them ticket sin good numbers.

Moreover, BJP's strategy to woo backward classes and SCs other than Jatavs was well reflected in the expansion of the Modi cabinet last year. Of the seven ministers inducted in the Union Cabinet from Uttar Pradesh, three -- Anupriya Patel, Pankaj Chaudhury and BL Verma – came from OBCs.

Three others — Kaushal Kishore, Bhanu Pratap Singh Verma and SP Singh Baghel —come from the SC category. The remaining one was the controversial Lakhimpur MP Ajay Mishra Teni.

CASTE ARITHMETIC TO DECIDE UP RESULTS



WE ARE THE ONLY ONE WITH PAN-PUNJAB PRESENCE: BADAL

AFTER breaking its ties with the BJP at the Centre and in Punjab over the contentious farm laws, the Shiromani Akali Dal has tied up with BSP in the upcoming Assembly poll in the agrarian state. Talking to **Harpreet Bajwa**, party president and former deputy chief minister **Sukhbir Singh Badal** says his party alone has a strong presence across all three regions of the state.

How many seats do you think the SAD-BSP alliance will win?
I think the SAD is being vastly underestimated. This is mainly because of the monopolisation of poll surveys by the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP). AAP is misusing its ₹850-crore advertising budget to influence voters. We are confident of winning 75 seats.

It is perceived that the main fight is between Congress, SAD and AAP?
This varies from region to region. SAD alone has a strong presence across the state. The AAP is concentrated only in three districts in the Malwa belt where it is the main contender along with the SAD. It is totally absent in Doaba and Majha regions. Similarly, Congress is putting up a fight only in the Doaba belt.

How much setback do you think the drug case against Bikram Majithia will cause to the party?
Far from causing any setback, the SAD and its cadre have been charged up following registration of the vendetta-fuelled case against Majithia. It is the cadre which wanted Majithia to be fielded against state Congress president Navjot Sidhu from Amritsar East. Our cadre is firm on taking Sidhu and the Congress to task for registering false case against Majithia.

Will the SC card played by Congress by appointing Charanjit Singh Channi as CM impact your party?
We need to examine Channi's track record on issues of the SCs first. He was part of the cabinet which denied SC students their scholarship. He has never stood up to fight for the rights of Dalits. He can never emerge as their champion.

What is your take on the alliance between BJP, Punjab Lok Congress and SAD (Sanyukt)?
Zero plus zero plus zero will always be zero.

Q&A

With farmers forming a front and fighting the polls, does your party foresee any dent in vote bank?
All SSM candidates will bite the dust. The support received by the Sanyukt Kisan Morcha was on account of the resentment against the farm laws. It was never for formation of a political outfit.

Why should people vote for SAD-BSP alliance?
The SAD has its own track record. The state became power-surplus during our tenure. We laid out a modern road network. We created air connectivity. All social welfare benefits being received by the underprivileged were given to them by Parkash Singh Badal. All this has been torn asunder by the Congress government.

(Read the full interview on www.newindianexpress.com)

'PM Modi behaves like a 21st century king'

Dehradun: Launching a scathing attack on PM Modi in poll-bound Uttarakhand on Saturday, Congress leader Rahul Gandhi said the former was behaving as if "he is the king of 21st century and not the prime minister of the country". "I always say farmers are the spine of the country. Farmers of this country stood firm against the conspiracy to give all farmlands to some selected millionaires. Doors of the PM were closed for farmers." Rahul was addressing a virtual rally in Haridwar. Later, he participated in the arti (picture) on the banks of river Ganga in Haridwar.

Rahul trusting Chinese media more: Rajnath

Lucknow: Keeping the pitch over law and order high in his election discourse, Union Defence Minister Rajnath Singh toed the party line on Saturday while seeking votes for BJP candidates in Mathura in western UP. Launching a scathing attack on Congress leader Rahul Gandhi with reference to his recent speech in Parliament, Singh raised the Galwan clashes issue, accusing Rahul Gandhi of not trusting the valour of Indian soldiers and relying more on the Chinese media instead. "We have given a message to world that India is not weak nation now. We can cross border and attack," the defence minister said.

CM face will decide fate of 60 candidates: Sidhu

Chandigarh: Ahead of the visit of Rahul Gandhi to Ludhiana on Sunday to announce the chief ministerial face of the Congress, party's state president Navjot Singh Sidhu on Saturday fired a salvo saying the CM candidate will decide whether 60 candidates are elected as MLAs or not. Fifty-nine legislators are needed to form government in the 117-member Punjab Assembly. For the past few months, both Punjab Chief Minister Charanjit Singh Channi and Sidhu have directly or indirectly been making their respective case to be declared as the party's chief ministerial candidate.

Congress promises territorial integrity of Manipur, efforts to repeal AFSPA

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Guwahati

THE Congress has vowed to safeguard Manipur's territorial integrity and urge the Centre to repeal the contentious Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act (AFSPA), if voted to power in the Northeast state.

The demand for the AFSPA's repeal from the Northeast has become louder in the aftermath of the December 4 killing of civilians in a botched ambush by the Army in Nagaland's Mon district.

Okram Ibobi Singh's previous Congress government in Manipur had withdrawn the 1958 law from seven Assembly constituencies.

The concern over the state's territorial integrity stems from insurgent group NSCN-IM's 'Greater Nagalim' demand.

CM files papers

Manipur CM N Biren Singh filed his nomination as BJP candidate on Saturday. He is seeking re-election for the fifth consecutive term from Heingang constituency

In its election manifesto, the Congress promised to mount pressure on the Centre to resolve all inter-state and India-Myanmar boundary issues.

The party made several other commitments. It promised to offer free critical medical treatment for children, compensate the wrongly-detained media persons, adopt a 'Mountain Economy' for integrated development of the plain and hill districts, fill in all backlog vacancies for direct recruitment and promotion reserved for STs, among others.

VIRUS METER (FEB 4 – FEB 5)

	UTTAR PRADESH		MANIPUR		GOA		PUNJAB		UTTARAKHAND	
Fresh cases	3,807	3,555	277	217	595	472	1,379	988	1,183	844
Deaths	9	17	3	2	10	6	25	14	15	15
Positivity rate (%)	1.87	1.84	13.3	12.4	15	10	4.04	3.3	5.64	4.81

BJP betrayed farmers of UP: Akhilesh

NAMITA BAJPAI @Lucknow

REJECTING the often-repeated BJP rhetoric of 'double engine' governance, Samajwadi Party chief Akhilesh Yadav accused the ruling dispensation both at Centre and UP of "betraying" the farmers of the state.

While interacting with the media persons as part of his campaign in Aligarh on Saturday, Akhilesh claimed that voters have decided to root out the BJP from the first phase itself. He reiterated that SP would be getting 400 of 403 seats this time leaving the rest of three for the saffron camp.

"Farmers had to protest for a year against the three farm laws. As elections approached in Punjab and UP, the BJP withdrew the black laws," the SP chief said.

He sought explanation from the BJP as to why the three farm laws were rolled back if the party was finding them favourable for the country.

No change to spare? This digital beggar in Bihar has a solution

RAMASHANKAR @Patna

RAJU Prasad is a beggar with a difference. **Raju Prasad**, (40), a resident of Bihar's Bettiah town in West Champaran district, can be heard asking people to pay him digitally if they don't have *chutta paise* (change in coins).

"If you don't have change in coins, don't worry. You can pay me through eWallet. Now I avail the facility of digital payment," Prasad can be heard telling the passer-by who avoid him payment on the pretext of having no *chutta paise*.

On Friday, he received ₹57 in his eWallet from begging, apart from ₹40 in coins.

Prasad has been begging in the vicinity of Bettiah railway station since he was 10. An ardent supporter of PM Narendra Modi's 'Digital India' campaign, Prasad opened a bank account recently to avail the facility of digital payment.

"Though I had my Aadhaar Card, I didn't have PAN card, which delayed the process to open bank account. Now I avail the facility of digital payment despite being a beggar," he boasted.

Awadhesh Tiwari, a resident of Bettiah town, said Raju Prasad's father Prabhunath Prasad lived with his family in Bettiah town. After the death of only bread winner of the family, his son Raju Prasad started begging at the railway station.

"He has been doing it for the last three decades. Being a bit lazy, he adopted begging as his source of livelihood and people used to support him," Tiwari, a retired public servant said.

Earlier, he used to get free food from the pantry car of trains stopping at Bettiah but now he has to buy meals from a roadside dhaba. Prasad spends night at railway platform.

Two Lashkar militants killed in gunfight with forces in J&K

SRINAGAR: Two Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) militants were killed in an encounter with security forces here in the summer capital of Jammu and Kashmir on Saturday.

Based on intel regarding the presence of terrorists in the Rangpora Zakura area of Srinagar, a cordon-and-search operation was launched there, a police spokesperson said.

In the ensuing gunfight, two terrorists were killed and their bodies were retrieved from the site of the encounter, the official said.

He identified them as Ikhlaq Ahmad Hajam of Kujer Frisal, Kulgam, and Adil Nisar Dar of Malangpora, Pulwama. Both were linked with proscribed terror outfit LeT /TRF (The Resistance Front). *PTI*

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Cong's Rishi Mishra calls out party state brass

Rishi Mishra, grandson of former Union railway minister late Lalit Narayan Mishra, resigned from the Congress blaming the state leadership for the sorry state of affairs the party is mired in. The ex-MLA of Jale in Darbhanga, Rishi said the workers were being ignored by the senior leaders in the state and they have no future plans to strengthen the grand old party's Bihar arm. The situation can be gauged from the fact that the party has no district presidents in four of the 38 districts. Moreover, the appointment of a new state chief has been put on hold for the last one-and-a-half years. He sent his resignation to state chief Madan Mohan Mishra and Rahul Gandhi.

Stone-laying of riverine international port in Saran

Bihar will have its separate riverine international port in Saran district. Union minister for ports, shipping and waterways Sarbadananda Sonowal laid the foundation stone of the proposed port at Kalughat on the bank of Gandak river in Saran district on Saturday. The port to be constructed at an estimated cost of ₹78.5 crore will cater to transportation of goods from Bihar to other international ports in the country. The BJP MP from Saran and former Union minister Rajiv Pratap Rudy had raised the demand for a separate riverine or inland port in Bihar in the Lok Sabha in March last year. Once operational, the port in Saran district will be directly connected to the proposed port at Kalughat, as well as the Haldia port near Kolkata and other international ports in the country.

Winterwear given away at Muzaffarpur

Barsa Educational and Welfare Society, Muzaffarpur, distributed over 1,000 blankets, shawls and other warm clothes among the poor and the needy at several villages under Muzaffarpur and West Champaran districts. The winter clothes were purchased with donations collected from people during a week-long drive from January 15 to January 22 in Muzaffarpur district. Residents of Mahadalit community villages were also provided warm clothes. Society's secretary Dr Parmeshwar Ojha said focus will be on empowerment of women in the two districts.

Cop who died following raid paid tributes

Police officials paid rich tributes to sub-inspector Birendra Kumar Paswan who succumbed to injuries at a private hospital in Patna on January 30. Paswan had suffered injuries during a raid at Shamsher Nagar under Daudnagar police station in Aurangabad on January 27. A native of Rohtas, Paswan had joined the police force in 2009. He was decorated with 41 medals for his outstanding performance in Aurangabad, Rohtas and Kaimur. Officers said that Paswan's family would be given benefits as per the provisions for police personnel martyred on duty. The wedding of the slain officer's daughter was to be solemnised in February.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that my Client with an intention to purchase property bearing Site No.1, Old Khatha No.851/17/01, presently within the limits of Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Khatha No.1788/1284/1/1, Ward No.7, measuring East to West 33.5 feet, North to South 60 feet totally measuring 2010 sq.feet, together with RCC roofed building Situated at Amruthahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk and bounded on **East by** : Private Property; **West by :** Site No.2 & 3; **North by :** 40 feet Government Road and **South by** : 25 feet Road has entered into a Sale agreement with Bhagyavathi and Geetha.S, who claims they are the absolute owners and having acquired the same through a registered Release Deed, bearing Document No.3738/2007-08, dated 30.01.2008 registered in the office of the Byatarayanpura, Bangalore. Hence If any person/s has/have any kind of charge, lien, adverse claim or objections over the same, they are advised to contact me with all the documentary proof in support of the claim to the below mentioned address within Seven (07) Days from the date of this publication of notice, otherwise it will be construed that there are no charges or claims of whatsoever nature in respect of the aforesaid Schedule Property and my client will proceed for the purchase of the afore said Property.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Publics are hereby informed that, my Client **Smt. Mohini Yashwanth**, W/o. Yashwanth Savarkar, on 02/02/2022 at about 9.15 am while travelling from Jayanagara to Adugodi by two wheeler has lost her bag and the bag contained the original documents i..e **(i)** Sale Deed dated 04/05/1981, which is registered as Doc.No.2166/1980-81, Book-I, Volume-1848, Pages 113-115 registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Magadi. **(ii)** Sale Deed dated: 02/08/1982, which is registered as Doc. No.1167/1982-83. Book-I, Volume-1875, Pages 87-89 registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Magadi. **(iii)** Tax paid receipts and certified copies of the documents pertaining to land bearing Old Sy.No.26/3B (26/3) New Sy.No.26/14 of **Chunchankuppe Village, Tavarakere Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru**, and also lodged police complaint GSC No.P01384220600017 at Thilaknagar Police station on 05.02.2022, if anybody found the said documents please contact below address, **please contact this No.9901011916.**

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Mr Mallesh M & others

.....Certified Debtors

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In View of the Recovery Certificate issued in **OA No. 692/2012** passed by the Hon'ble Presiding Officer, DRT, Bangalore on **8th May 2017** an Amount of **Rs. 23,55,108/-** (Rupees Twenty Three Lakhs Fifty Five Thousand One Hundred Eight only) along with cost, expenses and future interest @ 36% p.a from 06.10.2011 till the date of realization in full, jointly severally and personally from the Certificate Debtors.

In addition to the sum aforesaid you will be liable to pay all charges and expenses incurred in respect of the service of this notice and other process that may be taken for recovering the amount due.

You are hereby called upon to deposit the amount within 15 days of the receipt of the notice, failing which the Recovery shall be made as per rules.

Given under my hand and seal of the Tribunal on **25th day of November 2020.**

Sd/- RECOVERY OFFICER-1
DRT - 1, Bengaluru

Note : Attention is invited to Rule 16 of the Second Schedule of the Income Tax Act 1961 read with recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 which is reproduced below:

Rule **16(1)** where a notice has been served on a defaulter under Rule 2, the defaulter or his representative in interest shall not be competent to mortgage, charge, lease or otherwise deal with any property belonging to him except with the permission of the Debts Recovery Officer, nor shall any civil court issue any process against such property in execution of a decree for the payment of money.

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3) You are also liable to disclose your assets both movable and immovable to this Tribunal along with the Income Tax Returns of Last 5 Year.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The publish is hereby informed that our Clients, **Sri. A.T. Babu Rao,** aged about 71 years, **Sri. T. Gnaneshwara Rao,** aged about 68 years, **Sri. A.T. Sathyanarayana Rao,** aged about 65 years, **Sri. A.T. Shankar Rao,** aged about 62 years, **Smt. Maheswari Krishnamoorthy,** aged about 59 years, **Smt. Kamala,** aged about 56 years and **Sri A.T. Krishnaji Rao,** aged about 55 years, all residing at No. 6/6 H.B. Samaja Link Road, Basavanagudi, Bangalore - 560004, are all children / legal heirs / successors of Late Smt. Rama Bai, wife of Late Sri. A. Tukaram Rao who was the absolute owner of property bearing Old Sy. No. 283-1, converted plot No. 57 situated at Mornapalli Village Panchayath, Hosur, Krishnagiri, Tamil Nadu, 635109, measuring a total extent of 1200 square feet (more fully described in the Schedule given hereunder and hereinafter referred as "Schedule Property"), have inadvertently lost the original documents mentioned hereunder, with regard to the Schedule Property.

The notice is hereby given that our Clients being the only legal heirs of Late Rama Bai, succeeding to the Schedule Property, affirm that the original sale deed dated 08.10.1986 bearing document No. 7905/1986 registered in Book No.1, Volume 1341, Pages 253 to 256 before Sub-Registrar, Hosur, Krishnagiri, Tamil Nadu, related to the said Schedule Property has been lost/ misplaced. Any person/s finding or having possession or having any information to the aforesaid documents is requested to contact and return the same to the undersigned.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the land bearing Old Sy. No. 283-1, converted plot No. 57 situated at Mornapalli Village Panchayath, Hosur, Krishnagiri, Tamil Nadu-635109, measuring East to West 30 ft. and North to South 40 ft. with a total extent of 1200 square feet and bounded by :

East by : Plot No. 58
West by : Public Road
North by : Plot No. 74
South by : Public Road

GURU PRASAD C. REDDY
Advocate, M.V.C.R & Associates,
Advocates & Solicitors, No. 7, 1st Floor, HHS & HMS Complex (Silk Exchange Building), Cubbonpet Main Road, Bengaluru - 560002

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DOCUMENT LOST

I, S.V. Pradeep, residing at No. 2400, 17th B Cross, 4th B Main, B. Sector 3rd Phase, Yelahanka New Town, Banglore - 560 064, hereby inform to General Public that, I have lost Sale Deed of site and house built thereon bearing No. 1754/96-97 in Yelahanka New Town. In spite of best efforts, I could not trace the same and in this regard on 05/02/2022, I have lodged complaint at Bangalore City Police Unit vide L.R. No. 0151751/2022. If anybody finds the above said document or is in possession, please handover the same to the above said address or contact me on Mob. No. : 9740365070.

-S.V. Pradeep

KARNATAKA NEERAVARI NIGAM LIMITED

(A Government of Karnataka Enterprises)
Office of the Executive Engineer, KNNL, IPC. Division No.1, Kalaburgi.

No.EE/KNNL/IPCD-1/Glb/ PB-10/ /2021-22/ 1971 Date: 04.02.2022

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

Percentage rate tender are invited for 1work two cover system and 2 works single cover system by the under signed on behalf of the Managing Director, KNNL Bengaluru from eligible contractors for the following work. Details as below.

1) No of works : 3, 2) Amount put to tender : Maximum Rs 8924802.00, Minimum Rs 1272050.64, 3) EMD : Maximum Rs 89250.00 Minimum Rs 19100.00, 4) The bidder can access to the e-tender document in the website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in. 05.02.2022 at 11.00AM, 5) Last date for submission of tender document through website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in., 14.02.2022 Up to 4.00 PM, 6) Date of opening of technical bid : 15.02.2022 at 4.15 PM, 7) The Date of opening of Financial : 18.02.2022 at 11.00 AM

Further information can be had from the office of the under signed during office hours (Phone No 08472-220590) and visit website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in . All other terms and conditions as per original notification

DIP/Kalaburagi/1071/MC&A/2021-22

Sd/- EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,
KNNL IPC Division-1, GULBARGA

PUBLIC NOTICE-AUCTION CUM SALE OF PROPERTIES

Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrowers and Guarantors that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Asset Reconstruction Company India Ltd. (Arcil)** an Asset Reconstruction Company registered with Reserve Bank of India under the provisions of the SARFAESI Act, 2002. **Arcil** has acquired from the banks / financial institutions mentioned below the financial assets and has acquired the rights of the Secured Creditor. The assets will be sold on an **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis** as per the brief particulars given hereunder as per below mentioned schedule:

Sr. No.	Loan Account Number / Name of Bank	Name of Original Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor	Trust Name	Type/ Size in/ Nature of Property	Total dues Outstanding in INR	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in INR	Reserve Price in INR	Date of Inspection	Date and Time of Auction	Type of Possession
1	MYSHL17000138 / MYSHL17000139 / L&T Financial Services	Shivaraju S / Anjali K / Freez Fire	Arcil-Retail-Loan Portfolio - 58- B-Trust	Land: 1080 Sq.Feet Const/Flat: 800 Sq.Feet [Freehold]	55,71,958/- as on 02-02-2022	4,00,000/-	40,00,000/-	16-02-2022	10-03-2022 12:30 PM	Symbolic
	Property Description/Schedule:- All that piece and parcel of Residential Property bearing Site No.6, Khatha No.12/6/46/14, Present Khatha No.14, Old Khatha No.46, Ward No.185, comes under the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Subramanyapura Range, situated at Kashinagara, Yalachenahalli Village, UttarahalliHobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore.									
2	404DHL31469941/ 404DHL31471056 / Bajaj Finance Ltd. / 404TPY94919218 / Bajaj Housing Finance Ltd.	Zameer Khan / Shahzia Seema	Arcil-Retail- Loan Portfolio 042- C-Trust & Arcil-Retail-Loan Portfolio 059-A-Trust	Land: NA Sq.Feet Const/Flat: 1115 Sq.Feet [Freehold]	67,73,163.32 as on 03-02-2022	2,95,000/-	29,50,000/-	16-02-2022	10-03-2022 1:30 PM	Symbolic
	Property Description/Schedule:- Flat bearing No. 001, having super built up area of 1115 sq. ft., Ground floor, Block I of the Apartment Building called 'Aryan Moon Stone' in the Sy. No. 12/7 measuring 0 Acre 19 Guntas forming part of Land measuring 1 Acre 30 Guntas in Sy. No. 12/7 of Thanisandra Village, K.R. PuramHobli, Bangalore South Taluk, now Bangalore East Taluk, Presently bearing BBMP No. 1769/12/7/1, Thanisandra, coming within the limits of Thanisandra Range of BBMP, Bangalore.									

Important Information regarding Auction Process

1	Auction Date	As prescribed herein above	
2	Place for Submission of Bids and Place of Auction	Unit No.305, 3rd Floor, Kedia Arcade, #92, Infantry Road, Bangalore-560001.	
	Bids can be submitted online / in person depending upon the Covid situation in Branch locality: kamal.mishra@arcil.co.in, satheesh.r@arcil.co.in, shivshankar.ub@arcil.co.in		
3	Web-Site For Auction	www.arcil.co.in	
4	Contact Persons with Phone Number	Kamal Mishra / Satheesh / Shivashankar UB 9819820760 / 9738141146 / 8073722285	
5	Last date for Submission of EMD		Same day 2 hours before Auction
6	All payments including EMD to be made by way of Demand Draft payable at		BANGALORE
7	Name in whose favour Demand Drafts to be drawn		The name as shown in Trust Column against each property.
8	Time of Inspection		Between 11.00 am to 4.00 pm Note: Date & time of inspection may be changed in view of Covid-19 situation.

The properties are being sold with all the existing and future encumbrances whether known or unknown to Arcil. The Authorized Officer/ Secured Creditor shall not be responsible in any way for any third party claims/ rights/ dues. However, the intending bidders are free to make their own independent inquiries regarding the encumbrances, title of property/ ies put on auction and claims/ rights/ dues/ effecting the property, prior to submitting their bid.The prospective bidders may be notified that in case of the properties under **"symbolic" possession.** The successful bidder on payment of the full sale price will be issued the sale certificate only after physical possession of the property is being taken over by the secured creditor.

* A bidder may, on his own choice, avail the facility of online participation in the auction by making application in prescribed format which is available along with the offer/tender-document on the website address mentioned herein above. Online bidding will take place at website of organisation as mentioned herein above, and shall be subject to the terms andconditions contained in the tender document. The Tender Document and detailed Terms & Conditions for the Auction may be downloaded from our website www.arcil.co.in or the samemay also be collected from the concerned Branch office of Arcil as stated above. Please note that sale shall be subject to the terms and conditions as stated in the Bid Document. Sale isstrictly subject to terms and conditions incorporated in this advertisement and the prescribed Bid/Tender Document. The Authorized Officer reserves the right to reject any/all bidswithout assigning any reason. This notice is also to be treated as a notice under Rule 8 and 9 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002.

Date: 06.02.2022
Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorized Officer,
Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Limited

ASSET RECONSTRUCTION COMPANY (I) LTD. CIN-U6599MH2002PLC134884
Registered Office: The Ruby, 10th Floor, 29 Senapati Bapat Marg, Dadar (West), Mumbai-400028. Tel: + 91-2266581300. www.arcil.co.in
Branch Address: Unit No.305, 3rd Floor Kedia Arcade, # 92, Infantry Road, Bangalore-560001. Tel: 080-25598054/55

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NOTICE TO THE BORROWERS

To **Loan Account No - 06230510000441**

1) M/s. Aaspire Developers (A Partnership Firm) No.1 & 2, S.V. Arcade, GM Palya Main Road, New Thippasandra Post, Bangalore-560075. **2) Mr. M. Narayanaswamy (Partner), S/o. Mr. B. Munniswamappa,** "Prakruthi", No.490, 7th Cross, 5th Main, Near BEML Hospital, Jagadish Nagar, Bangalore North, Bangalore-560075. **3) Mr. L.Umesh (Partner), S/o. Mr. C. Lakshmaiah,** No.102, 'Cauvery Nilaya', 4th Main, Behind BEML Factory, G M Palya, New Thippasandra, Bangalore North, Bangalore-560075. **4) Mr. S.Venkatesh Reddy (Partner), S/o. Mr. D.Srinivasa Reddy,** No.506, "Nagendra Nilaya", 2nd Cross, Amarjyothi Layout, Domlur, Bangalore North, Bangalore-560071.

SUB: NOTICE U/S 13(2) OF SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, (SARFAESI Act), 2002 (HEREINAFTER SHALL BE CALLED AS 'THE ACT')

Dear Madam / Sir,

At your request, you have been granted by the Bank, through our Jayanagar Branch, Bangalore from time to time, various credit facilities by way of financial assistance against various assets creating security interest in favour of the bank. The relevant particulars of the said credit facilities and the security agreements(s)/ documents(s) executed by you are stated in Schedule 'A' and 'B' respectively excluding pledge of movables. You have availed the financial assistance with an undertaking for repayment of the said financial assistance in terms of the said agreement(s)/documents(s).

You have also created mortgage by way of deposit of title deeds/Registered mortgages creating security interest in favour of the bank. The documents relating to such mortgage are also stated in schedule 'B'.

The relevant particulars of the secured assets are specifically stated in Schedule 'C'.

You have also acknowledged subsistence of the liability in respect of the aforesaid credit facilities by executing confirmation of balances and revival letters and other documents from time to time. The operation of and conduct of the above said financial assistance/ credit facilities have become irregular and the debt has been classified as **NON PERFORMING ASSETS (NPA) on 23.01.2022** in accordance with the directives/ guidelines relating to asset classifications issued by the Reserve Bank of India consequent to the default committed by you in repayment of principal debt and interest thereon.

Despite repeated requests, you have failed and neglected to repay the said dues/outstanding liabilities. Therefore, the Bank hereby calls upon u/s 13(2) of the said Act by issuing this notice to discharge in full your liabilities stated hereunder to the Bank within 60 days from the date of this notice. Your outstanding liabilities (in aggregate) due and owing to the Bank is in the sum of **Rs.2,23,82,168.70 (Rupees Two Crores Twenty Three Lac Eighty Two Thousand One Hundred Sixty Eight and paisa Seventy only)** as on **24.01.2022** with interest charged up to **31.12.2021.** You are also liable to pay future interest at the contractual rate on the aforesaid amount from **01.01.2022** together with incidental expenses, cost, charges, etc. from **25.01.2022.**

If you fail to repay to the bank the aforesaid sum of **Rs.2,23,82,168.70 (Rupees Two Crores Twenty Three Lac Eighty Two Thousand One Hundred Sixty Eight and paisa Seventy Only)** as on **24.01.2022** with interest charged up to **31.12.2021** with further interest from **01.01.2022** and incidental expenses, costs from **25.01.2022** as stated above in terms of this notice u/s 13(2) of the Act, the Bank will exercise all or any of the rights detailed under Sub-Section (4) of Section 13 and other applicable provisions of the said Act.

You are also put on notice that in terms of Sub-Section 13 of Section 13 you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed in Schedule 'C' of this notice without obtaining written consent of the Bank.

The Bank reserves its rights to call upon all of you to repay the liabilities that may Earise under the outstanding Bills Discounted, Bank Guarantees and Letter of Credit issued and established on your behalf as well as other contingent liabilities.

This notice is without prejudice to the Bank's right to initiate such other actions or legal proceedings as it deems necessary under any other applicable provisions of Law.

SCHEDULE - 'A'
Loan Account No - 06230510000441

Sl. No.	Nature of Facility	Outstanding as on 24.01.2022 (inclusive of interest up to 31.12.2021)
1)	Cash Credit(s)	Rs.2,23,82,168.70 plus future interest from 01.01.2022 and incidental expenses, charges, costs etc. from 25.01.2022
2)	Aggregate Outstanding	Rs.2,23,82,168.70 plus future interest from 01.01.2022 and incidental expenses, charges, costs etc. from 25.01.2022

SCHEDULE - 'B'
(Details of Security Documents including all supplementary documents & Documents evidencing creation of Mortgage)

Sl. No.	Name of the Document	Nature of Security	Date of Execution	Amount Secured (Amt in Rs.)
1.	A1	Demand Promissory Note	09.10.2015	2,38,00,000.00
2.	A3	Letter of Continuity	09.10.2015	2,38,00,000.00
3.	A47	Letter of Waiver	09.10.2015	2,38,00,000.00
4.	A109	Agreement for Term Loan	09.10.2015	2,38,00,000.00
5.	A21	Letter of Guarantee	09.10.2015	2,38,00,000.00
6.	Memorandum of Entry in Equitable Mortgage Register	Creation of Equitable Mortgage	19.08.2015	78,00,000.00
7.	Memorandum of Entry in Equitable Mortgage Register	Creation of Equitable Mortgage	09.10.2015	2,38,00,000.00
8.	Memorandum of Registered Equitable Mortgage of Title Deed	Registration of Equitable Mortgage with the SRO	19.08.2015	78,00,000.00
9.	Memorandum of Registered Equitable Mortgage of Title Deed	Registration of Equitable Mortgage with the SRO	09.10.2015	1,60,00,000.00

SCHEDULE - 'C'
Description of the Immovable Properties:

PROPERTY NO.01:
EQUITABLE MORTGAGE OF PROPERTY COMPRISING: Land & Building
Title/ Sale Deed No:- KRI-1-04325-2009-10 Dated:15.02.2010

All that piece and parcel of the Property being vacant site No.9, in HASB Khata No.113 situated at HASB area, Byrasandra Village, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk (erstwhile Bangalore South Taluk), now known as new Municipal No.113/A at 6th Cross Byrasandra, Bangalore, Ward No.83, C V Raman Nagar, the unique Property ID No.(PID), allotted to this Property is 83-90-113/A, now comes under the Limits of the BBMP, and measuring east to west 45 feet and north to south 30 feet, measuring in all 1350 Sq.Ft., **bounded on the:** East by: Road, West by: Property of Munnilakshmanaiah, North by: HAL Property, South by: Property No.8.

PROPERTY NO.02:
EQUITABLE MORTGAGE OF PROPERTY COMPRISING: BUILDING (FLAT)
Title/ Joint Development Agreement No.VRT-1-06756-2010-11, Dated 24.01.2011

SCHEDULE-A

All that piece and parcel of the Immovable Property being residentially converted land in Sy. No.-84/1-B, situated at Varthur Hobli, Munekolala village, Bangalore East Taluk, measuring 31.14 guntas, bearing BBMP Khata No.-2401 and **bounded on the:** East by: Road formed out of Sy. No.-84/1-B, West by: Private Property, North by: Road formed out of Sy. No.-84/1-B, South by: Road formed out of Sy. No.-84/1-B.

SCHEDULE-B

All that Piece and Parcel of the Residential Immovable Property bearing Flat No.003, on Ground Floor, Khata No.-275/2401/B-003 having UDS of 606 Sq Ft. And Super Built up area of 1595 Sq. Ft., B Block with two Bed Rooms hall and kitchen in the Building called Aaspire Heights.

PROPERTY NO.03:
EQUITABLE MORTGAGE OF PROPERTY COMPRISING: BUILDING (FLAT)
Title/ Joint Development Agreement No.-VRT-1-06756-2010-11, Dated 24.01.2011

SCHEDULE-A

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SCHEDULE-B

All that Piece and Parcel of the Residential Immovable Property bearing Flat No.-103, on Ground Floor, Khata No.- 280/2401/B-103 having UDS of 606 Sq Ft. and Super Built up area of 1595 Sq. Ft., B Block with two Bed Rooms hall and kitchen in the Building called Aaspire Heights.

PROPERTY NO.04:
EQUITABLE MORTGAGE OF PROPERTY COMPRISING: BUILDING (FLAT)
Title/ Joint Development Agreement No.-VRT-1-06756-2010-11, Dated 24.01.2011

SCHEDULE-A

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SCHEDULE-B

All that Piece and Parcel of the Residential Immovable Property bearing Flat No.-105, on First Floor, Khata No.- 282/2401/B-105 having UDS of 617.50 Sq Ft. and Super Built up area of 1625 Sq. Ft. , B Block with two Bed Rooms hall and kitchen in the Building called Aaspire Heights.

Date: 25.01.2022,
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer,
UCO Bank

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NOTICE TO THE GUARANTORS

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Dear Sir,

At your request, the Bank has extended credit facilities to M/S Aaspire Developers (A Partnership Firm), having it's office at No.-1 & 2, S.V. Arcade, GM Palya Main Road, New Thippasandra Post, Bangalore-560075 (herein after shall be called as 'the Borrower') by way of financial assistance against secured assets. The outstanding amount and the details of the secured assets are mentioned in the enclosed notice addressed to the above Borrower. You being the Guarantors have created security interest in respect of the following properties by execution of security agreement(s) / documents(s)/confirmation of mortgage mentioned below:

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

PROPERTY NO.01:
EQUITABLE MORTGAGE OF PROPERTY COMPRISING: LAND & BUILDING
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TITLE/ JOINT DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT NO.-VRT-1-06756-2010-11, DATED 24.01.2011

SCHEDULE-A

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TITLE/ JOINT DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT NO.-VRT-1-06756-2010-11, DATED 24.01.2011

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Sl. No.	Particulars of the security agreement(s)/ document(s) confirmation of creation of Mortgage.	Date	Amount secured
1.	Memorandum of Entry in the EMTD Register	19.08.2015	78,00,000.00
2.	Memorandum of Entry in the EMTD Register	09.10.2015	2,38,00,000.00
3.	Confirmation Letter regarding deposit of title deeds dated 25.06.2004.	21.08.2015	78,00,000.00
4.	Confirmation Letter regarding deposit of title deeds dated 25.06.2004.	11.10.2015	2,38,00,000.00

The operation and conduct of the said financial assistance/credit facilities have become irregular and the debt has been classified as Non Performing Asset (NPA) as specifically stated in the enclosed notice to the borrower.

Therefore, the Bank hereby calls upon you u/s 13(2) of the said Act by issuing this notice to discharge in full of your liabilities stated hereunder to the Bank within 60 days from the date of this notice. Your outstanding liabilities as Guarantor for the above Borrower, in aggregate, due and owing to the Bank is to the tune of **Rs.2,23,82,168.70 (Rupees Two Crore Twenty Three Lac Eighty Two Thousand One Hundred Sixty Eight and paisa Seventy Only) as on 24.01.2022** with interest charged up to **31.12.2021.** You are also liable to pay future interest at the contractual rate on the aforesaid amount from **01.01.2022** together with incidental expenses, cost, charges, etc. from **25.01.2022.**

If you fail to repay to the Bank the aforesaid sum of **Rs.2,23,82,168.70 (Rupees Two Crore Twenty Three Lac Eighty Two Thousand One Hundred Sixty Eight and paisa Seventy Only) as on 24.01.2022** with interest charged up to **31.12.2021** and with further interest from **01.01.2022** and incidental expenses, costs as from **25.01.2022** stated above in terms of this notice u/s 13 (2) of the Act, the Bank will exercise all or any of the rights detailed under Sub-Section (4) of Section 13 and under other applicable provisions of the said Act.

You are also put on notice that in terms of Sub Section 13 of section 13, you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets stated above without obtaining written consent of the Bank.

This notice is without prejudice to the Bank's right to initiate such other actions or legal proceedings, as it deems necessary under any other applicable provisions of Law.

Date: 25.01.2022,
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer,
UCO Bank

punjab national bank

Bo: SASTRA Department: Circle Office : Bangalore East
Raheja Towers, I Floor, 26-27, M G Road, Bangalore-560001. Email: cs8191@pnb.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE (For immovable property)

WHEREAS, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Punjab National Bank, SASTRA, Bengaluru – East, under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13 read with the security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued Demand Notice calling upon the Borrowers mentioned below to repay the dues within 60 days from the date of notice/date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower/s /guarantors/mortgagors and the public in general that the undersigned has taken the possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Sub-Section (4) of Section 13 of the said act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 as stated herein below.

The borrower/s in particular and public in general is hereby **cautioned not to deal** with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Punjab National Bank**, for an amount mentioned below with further interest and expenses thereon.

The borrowers/ guarantors/mortgagors attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-Section (8) of the section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

S. No.	1) Name of the Borrowers 2) Branch Name	Date of Demand, Possession & Amount Due	Description of Properties
1.	1) Borrower : Mrs Annakantha Kumari & Mr Prakash Raju 2) Domlur (754700)	24.08.2021, 04.02.2022 as on 31.03.2021 Rs.51,82,342.00 and further interest and other expenses from 01.04.2021.	All that part and parcel of flat bearing No B-201, Block B, 2nd Floor, Jampa Delight measuring 1325 sq ft at Site No 84 & 85, House List No 3959, Khatha No 3959/85, Sy No 45/5, Gottigere Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, and bounded on the **East By :** Site No 86, **West By :** Site No 84, **North By :** Site No 90 and **South

5.9 magnitude earthquake jolts several cities of Pakistan, including the national capital Islamabad, on Saturday

GLOBAL WEATHER

LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • SW: Snow • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	7	-7	LC	Los Angeles	25	9	SNY
Colombo	31	23	LC	Melbourne	28	14	SNY
Dhaka	23	13	SNY	Moscow	-1	-3	SW
Dubai	23	18	SNY	New York	2	-1	SNY
Houston	16	4	SNY	Singapore	30	25	TDS
Istanbul	10	3	LC	Toronto	-1	-3	LC
London	11	2	HR	Washington	3	-4	SNY

NUKE TALKS

US sanctions welcome, but too little: Iran

TEHRAN

IRAN'S foreign minister on Saturday welcomed US sanctions relief intended to entice Iran back to the 2015 nuclear deal, but called it insufficient. On Friday, the Biden administration restored some sanctions relief to Iran's atomic program as world powers and the Islamic Republic continue talks aimed at salvaging the languishing agreement.

"ifting some sanctions in a real and objective manner could be interpreted as the good will that Americans talk about," Foreign Minister Hossein Amirabdollahian told reporters. But he said the move "is not sufficient".

Secretary of State Antony Blinken signed several sanctions waivers related to Iran's civilian nuclear activities. The move reverses the Trump administration's decision to rescind them. It comes as US negotiators return to Vienna for what could be a make-or-break session. The waivers are ultimately intended to attract Iran back to the 2015 deal that it has been violating since former President Donald Trump withdrew from the agreement in 2018 and reimposed US sanctions. "God will, in our viewpoint, means that something tangible happens on the ground," Amirabdollahian said. *AP*

Xi hosts world leader banquet in China after two years of isolation

Move part of effort to shore up int'l support & pull off an Olympics that burnishes its image

BEIJING

CHINESE President Xi Jinping hosted a banquet on Saturday for heads of state and international organisations attending the Winter Olympics, part of a diplomatic blitz following nearly two years without face-to-face meetings due to the pandemic.

Xi has launched a diplomatic marathon in the leadup to the Games, meeting with Russian president and "old friend" Vladimir Putin on Friday and attending the Olympics opening ceremony later in the day with dozens of foreign guests.

Beijing is keen to shore up international support and pull off a Games that will burnish its reputation, despite multiple countries including the United States, Australia, Britain and Canada announcing diplomatic boycotts over China's rights record.

Dozens of dignitaries -- many from autocratic nations friendly to Beijing -- were treated to musical performances and a traditional handicrafts display alongside the meal at the Great Hall of the People, state media reported.

This week's meetings are a striking change for Xi, who has avoided travelling abroad or meeting foreign visitors face-to-face since the start of the Covid pandemic in 2020. China has largely closed its borders for the last two years in a zero-Covid strategy that has seen daily infections dwindle.

Besides Putin, the banquet guestlist included Kazakhstan President Kassym-Jomart Tokayev, Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan, Egypt's President Abdel Fattah al-Sisi and Saudi Arabia's Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, as well as a handful of leaders from Europe and Asia Pacific, according to Chinese state media. Heads of international bodies including the World Health Organisation's Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, whom state media said was among the Olympic torchbearers, were also invited.

Xi gave a toast at the banquet calling for all present to "work together for a world of durable peace," according to an official transcript.

State broadcaster CCTV said International Olympic Committee President Thomas Bach and UN Secretary General Antonio Guterres also gave speeches praising China's management of the Olympics and handling of the pandemic. CCTV showed a massive banquet table featuring a miniature winter landscape dotted with replicas of the Olympic venues as its centrepiece, lit from above by crystal chandeliers. Chefs also recreated scenes from nature using food, including a group of frolicking panda figurines.

The Chinese president had individual meetings on the sidelines of the banquet on Saturday, including reaffirming his support for the Kazakh president, state broadcaster CCTV reported.

Beijing in January praised Tokayev's "strong measures" against protesters after the Kazakh leader took a hardline approach to quell demonstrations — including authorising his forces to shoot to kill.

On Saturday, Xi told his Kazakh counterpart that China "is ready to help Kazakhstan maintain stability," according to a readout after the meeting.

Xi was photographed greeting Putin Friday with both men going maskless, even though the latter had skipped the lengthy quarantine normally required in China for people arriving from overseas. The two signed a joint statement opposing the further expansion of NATO, amid a diplomatic standoff between Moscow and Washington over Ukraine. *AFP*

UYGHUR ATHLETE AT CENTRE OF ROW

China's move to thrust a young Uyghur athlete into spotlight at the climax of Winter Olympics opening ceremony has placed her at the centre of a long-time controversy over rights abuses. **Dinigeer Yilamujiang**, a cross-country skier who smilingly appeared as the final Olympic torch-bearer on Friday, is from the Uyghur minority of Xinjiang, where China's ruling Communist Party is accused of widespread human rights abuses.

(Yilamujiang) has every right to participate. We don't discriminate against people on where they're from or what their background is

Mark Adams, IOC spokesman

An aerial view shows burnt buildings at the Mingin Township in Sagaing Division of Myanmar | AFP

Myanmar villagers accuse junta troops of burning their homes

BANGKOK

MYANMAR villagers and anti-coup fighters have accused troops of burning hundreds of homes in the country's restive northwest, as the junta seeks to crush resistance to its rule.

Mass protests against last year's coup have been met with a brutal military crackdown, and violence has flared across Myanmar as civilians form "people's defence forces" (PDF) to oppose the junta.

A woman from Bin village in the Sagaing region, which has seen recent clashes, said troops had arrived in the early hours of Monday. "They shelled artillery and fired guns before coming in," she said on Friday, adding that the sound had sent villagers fleeing. Troops then set fire to around 200 houses, including her own, she said, requesting anonymity. "We could not bring anything with us. We took some warm clothes only, and then we just ran away."

Troops also torched houses in nearby Inn Ma Hte village after a local pro-junta militia was attacked by anti-coup fighters who then fled. "When the PDF left the village, the army burnt it down," said one of the rebels, adding that 600 houses had been torched.

Local media also reported that hundreds of homes had been razed in the two villages, and images obtained purporting to be of Bin village showed the remains of dozens of burnt-out buildings.

The fires consumed properties, motorbikes and carts, said another local who was helping to coordinate aid for those displaced from Inn Ma Hte.

"For them, it will be difficult to regain their livelihoods," he said, requesting anonymity.

State-run TV ran a report on Thursday accusing PDF fighters of starting the fires, and published images it claimed showed burnt-out buildings destroyed by "terrorists".

The Southeast Asian country has been in chaos since a coup last February, with more than 1,500 people killed in a crackdown on dissent, according to a local monitoring group. *AFP*

'Village militias'

In August, the junta had said it was considering raising village militias to combat opposition to its rule, as it struggles to assert control over swathes of the country. Sagaing has seen regular clashes and bloody reprisals.

ASIA MATTERS

Firebreaks out at Russian Embassy, staff evacuated

Manila: A large fire broke out at the Russian Embassy in the Philippine capital, prompting the evacuation of employees and their families but causing no injuries, Russian and Filipino authorities said on Saturday. Investigators were trying to determine the cause of the hours-long fire, which started on the second floor of the embassy in the financial district of Makati city in metropolitan Manila on Friday night and caused more than 100 million pesos ($2 million) in damages. AP

EXPRESS READ

Egypt media tycoon charged with sex assault against orphan girls

Cairo: An Egyptian businessman was charged on Saturday with "human trafficking" and "sexual assault" a month after he was arrested over accusations that he abused seven girls in an orphanage he founded. Media and real estate tycoon Mohamed el-Amin was arrested on January 8 and held in custody pending investigations into accusations that he "sexually assaulted children using force". AFP

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer (Ele.), East Zone, 16th Floor, PU Building, M.G. Road, Bengaluru.

No: BBMP/EE/ELE/EAST/TEND/13/2021-22 Date: 05-02-2022

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT)-(SHORT TERM)

(Two Cover System) (Through GOK e-Procurement Portal only)

Executive Engineer (Elect), East Zone, invites tenders in accordance with KTPP Rules 2000, from eligible Class-I contractors registered in BBMP / KPWD / CPWD / Railways / MES / National Highway or any other equivalent Central / State Government Organizations on behalf of the Commissioner, BBMP for Electrical work as detailed in the table below.

(Standard Tender Document - KW1 & KW2)

Sl. No.	Name of the Work	Approx. Value of Work (Rs. in Lakhs)	EMD (in Rs.)
1	Operation and Maintenance of Street Lighting System in Ward No. 18 and 19 Package E1 of East Zone.	48.70	97500.00
2	Operation and Maintenance of Street Lighting System in Ward No. 20 and 21 Package E2 of East Zone.	47.05	94200.00
3	Operation and Maintenance of Street Lighting System in Ward No. 22 and 33 Package E3 of East Zone.	44.21	88500.00
4	Operation and Maintenance of Street Lighting System in Ward No. 34 and 46 Package E4 of East Zone.	42.13	84300.00
5	Operation and Maintenance of Street Lighting System in Ward No. 31 and 32 Package E5 of East Zone.	41.52	83100.00
6	Operation and Maintenance of Street Lighting System in Ward No. 47 and 48 Package E6 of East Zone.	38.61	77300.00
7	Operation and Maintenance of Street Lighting System in Ward No. 60 and 61 Package E7 of East Zone.	44.09	88200.00
8	Operation and Maintenance of Street Lighting System in Ward No. 78 Package E8 of East Zone.	33.91	67900.00
9	Operation and Maintenance of Street Lighting System in Ward No. 62 and 63 Package E9 of East Zone.	49.07	98200.00
10	Operation and Maintenance of Street Lighting System in Ward No. 90 and 91 Package E10 of East Zone.	47.19	94400.00
11	Operation and Maintenance of Street Lighting System in Ward No. 92 and 93 Package E11 of East Zone.	47.68	95400.00
12	Operation and Maintenance of Street Lighting System in Ward No. 110 Package E12 of East Zone.	40.88	81800.00
13	Operation and Maintenance of Street Lights coming under Ward No. 23 and from Nagavara Flyover upto BMTC Depot on ORR.	48.39	96800.00
14	Operation and Maintenance of Street Lights coming under Ward No. 24 and from Bennaganahalli Flyover upto Nagavara Flyover on ORR.	42.87	85800.00
15	Operation and Maintenance of Street Lights coming under Ward No. 27.	44.81	89700.00
16	Operation and Maintenance of Street Lights coming under Ward No. 29.	39.95	80000.00
17	Operation and Maintenance of Street Lights coming under Ward No. 28 and 59.	47.19	94400.00
18	Operation and Maintenance of Street Lights coming under Ward No. 30 and 49.	42.28	84600.00
19	Operation and Maintenance of Street Lights coming under Ward No. 111.	48.48	97000.00
20	Operation and Maintenance of Street Lights coming under Ward No. 112.	47.38	94800.00
21	Operation and Maintenance of Street Lights coming under Ward No. 114 and 115.	40.14	80300.00
22	Operation and Maintenance of Street Lights coming under Ward No. 89.	28.05	56200.00
23	Operation and Maintenance of Street Lights coming under Ward No. 116 and 117.	34.33	68700.00
24	Operation and Maintenance of Street Lights coming under Ward No. 50.	38.72	77500.00
25	Operation and Maintenance of Street Lights coming under Ward No. 57 and 58.	48.85	97700.00
26	Operation and Maintenance of Street Lights coming under Ward No. 79 and 80.	44.60	89200.00
27	Operation and Maintenance of Street Lights coming under Ward No. 88 and 113.	47.32	94700.00

Calendar of Events: **1)** The tender documents may be downloaded from the GOK e- Procurement Portal Website: **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in from 09-02-2022. 2)** Date of Pre Bid Meeting **on 14-02-2022 at 11.30 AM. 3)** Tenders must be submitted online through the e-Procurement Portal **on or before 16.00 Hrs. on 17-02-2022. 4)** Date of Opening of Tenders **on 19-02-2022 at 16.00 Hrs.** Further details may be obtained from the above office during office hours.

Sd/- Executive Engineer (Ele), East Zone, BBMP.

PAY DEVELOPMENT CHARGES, HELP TO DEVELOP BENGALURU

COVID-19. DO NOT PANIC, BE AWARE

Wear Mask | 6 Feet Follow Physical Distancing | Maintain Hand Hygiene

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Works Branch, Madurai Division

TENDER NOTICE No. MDU-W-02-2022 DATED 04.02.2022

E-Tenders are invited for the following works by the Divisional Railway Manager / works / Southern Railway / Madurai. Tender closing date for Item No 1 to 10 on 02.03.222 and item No 11 to 16 on 10.03.2022 at 14.00 hrs.

Sl. No	Name of Work	Approx Value Rs. In Lakhs	EMD Rs.	Period of completion
1	Senior Section Enineer / Works / Virudhunagar section: Proposed extension and raising of existing medium / rail level platform at Tirumangalam platform no. 1 & 2, Kallikudi platform no. 1, Tulukapatti platform no. 1 and rehabilitation work at Satur platform no. 1.	596.24	448100	8 months
2	Senior Section Enineer / Works / Tirunelveli section: Proposed extension and raising of existing medium / rail level platform at Kadambur platform no. 1, Vanchi maniyachchi platform no. 3&4 and 5, Kailasapuram platform no. 1, Tattapparai platform no. 1, Naraikkinar platform no. 2, Gangaikondan platform no. 2 & 3.	685.80	492900	8 months
3	Divisional Engineer/Central/Madurai jurisdiction – Construction of boundary wall at vulnerable locations (Madurai station, Madurai – Vadipatti – Kodaikanal road sections) for a length 0f 2100m.	125.51	212800	9 months
4	Assistant Divisional Engineer/Central/ Madurai-Repairs and maintenance attention to the minor bridges between Kodaikkanal Road-Madurai and Madurai-Manamadurai Section.	35.78	71600	6 months
5	S.W-I-Senior section Engineer/Permanent way / Dindigul section:- Renewal of existing block joints with glued joints – 30 joints from Km:- 423.900 to 433.200 in between stations Tamaraipadi and Dindigul. & S.W-II- Through Rail renewal in Points and Crossings (CS+CMSC) of 2 sets of 1 in 12 and 1 set of 1 in 8.5 with new 52/60kg rails including fittings in Madurai and kudalnagar stations in Senior Section Engineer / Permanent way / MG / Madurai section.	14.20	28400	6 months
6	Karaikudi:- Providing Housekeeping and hospitality services for Officers' Rest House (Gazetted) and maintenance of Garden in and around station premises for a period of 24 months.	8.82	17600	24 months
7	Karaikudi Reconstruction of Type II Quarters - 8 units in lieu of quarters. No. 13,21,40,41/ A-B, 56 & 68/A-B and Type III – 8 units in lieu of quarters No. 33/A-B & 38/A-F.	173.11	236600	12 months
8	Madurai Division – Provision of RDSO standard Hydrant lines for coach watering at platforms of Punalur station.	146.45	223200	8 months
9	Madurai Jn.: Reconstraction of staff Quarters of Type IV - 4 units in lieu of condemned quarters. No. MDU – 330/A-D.	130.62	215300	8 months
10	Assistant Divisional Engineer / Karaikudi Sub Division – Hiring of 1 Number of open body LCV Truck or Similar vehicle for the maintenance of track and bridges under Senior Section Engineer / Permanent Way / Sivaganga section in DEN / North / Madurai Jurisdiction for a period of two years.	10.80	21600	24 months
11	Assistant Divisional Engineer / Karaikudi Sub Division – Hiring of 1 Number of open body LCV truck or Similar vehicle for the maintenance of track and bridges under Senior Section Engineer / Permanent Way / Mandapam section in DEN / North / Madurai Jurisdiction for a period of two years.	10.80	21600	24 months
12	Assistant Divisional Engineer / Karaikudi Sub Division – Hiring of 1 Number of open body LCV truck or Similar vehicle for the maintenance of track and bridges under Senior Section Engineer / Permanent Way / Pudukkottai section in DEN / North / Madurai Jurisdiction for a period of two years.	10.80	21600	24 months
13	Madurai Division – Improvements to Health Units at Dindigul, Palani, Mandapam stations in DEN / North jurisdiction.	45.98	92000	9 months
14	Providing House Keeping & Hospitality services for Officers' Rest House (2 suites each) @ Dindigul Jn. & Palani station & Supervisors' Rest House consisting of three rooms at Dindigul Jn. And maintenance of garden at circulating area and at Platform No. 1 & 2 @ Dindigul for a period of two years.	9.23	18500	24 months
15	Senior Section Engineer / Works / Virudhunagar section – Maintenance of water pipeline system in Railway colony, stations and service buildings for the period of 24 months.	13.19	26400	24 months
16	Madurai Division – Construction of Holiday Home at Tiruchendur.	38.45	76900	9 months

Further details are available in detail on website **https://www.ireps.gov.in.** The tenders (s) / Contractor(s) to apply for e-tender for works in Madurai Division, need to get enrolled in the e-tender portal **www.ireps.gov.in** and only online tenders will be accepted.

It is the responsibility of the tenderer to check any Corrigendum issued for any correction of modifications uploaded subsequently in the website, the same shall be taken into account while submitting Tender.

Divisional Railway Manager (Works), Madurai
(For and on behalf of President of India)

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ICICI Bank

Branch Office: ICICI Bank limited, 1st Floor, West Wing, DSMG, Mythri Centre, Hosur Main Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore-560068

PUBLIC NOTICE - TENDER CUM AUCTION FOR SALE OF SECURED ASSET

[See proviso to rule 8(6)]

Notice for sale of immovable assets

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of ICICI Bank Limited. will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is", as per the brief particulars given hereunder;

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower(s) /Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors/ Loan Account No.	Details of the Secured asset(s) with known encumbrances, if any	Amount Outstanding	Reserve Price / Earnest Money Deposit	Date and Time of Property Inspection	Date & Time of Auction
(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)
1.	Varalakshmi B H (Borrower) H Sanjeevamma (Co- Borrower) Loan account number LBHAS00000350075	Document Covering Site No 544, Block-III, Banashankari VI Stage, Bangalore- 560085 **Boundaries:** East: Road West: Site No 540 North: Site No 543 South: Site No 545 **Residential Open Plot admeasuring an area of 2352 Sq. Ft.**	Rs.7,94, 134.01/- (as on February 05,2022)	Rs. 1,03, 00,000/- / Rs. 10,30, 000/-	February 10, 2022 From 11:00 AM to 02:00 PM	February 28, 2022 From 11:00 AM to 11:30 AM
2.	Mrs. E Lakshmi Aravind (Borrower) Mr. E Kishore (Co-Borrower) Loan Account Number LBBNG00003708758	The Apartment Bearing No.005 on The Ground Floor of The Building To Be Known os "Akshaya Palms" Being Constructed on The Schedule 'A' Property Measuring Super Built Up Area of 1375 Sq. Ft. With 2 Bed Rooms, A Kitchen Inclusive of Proportionate Share of Common Area With 1 Car Parking Space Bearing 01 on The Basement Floor of The Building Situated in Bbmp Ward No.12, Abbigere Ward, Bengaluru. Bounded on The East By: open To Sky; West By: Flat No 006; North By: Entrance; South By: open to Sky 2BHK- Residential Flat Measuring 1375 Sq. Ft. and Uds of 349.74 Sq. Ft. With one Covered Car Parking Space	Rs.52,41, 721.6/- (as on February 05, 2022)	Rs. 48,60, 000/- / Rs. 4,90, 000/-	February 11, 2022 From 11:00 AM to 02:00 PM	February 28, 2022 From 11:30 AM to 12:00 PM

The online auction will be conducted on website **(URL Link-www.disposalhub.com)** of our auction agency **M/s NexXen Solutions Private Limited.** The Mortgagors/ noticee are given a last chance to pay the total dues with further interest till **February 25, 2022** before **05:00 PM** else these secured assets will be sold as per above schedule.

The Prospective Bidder(s) must submit the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Demand Draft (DD) (Refer Column E) at **ICICI Bank limited, 1st Floor, West Wing, DSMG, Mythri Centre, Hosur Main Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore-560068** and thereafter they need to submit their offer through the above mentioned website only on or before **February 25, 2022** before **05:00 PM** along with scan image of Bank acknowledged DD towards proof of payment of EMD. Kindly note, in case prospective bidder(s) are unable to submit their offer through the website then signed copy of tender documents may be submitted at **ICICI Bank limited, 1st Floor, West Wing, DSMG, Mythri Centre, Hosur Main Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore-560068** on or before **February 25, 2022** before **05:00PM.** Earnest Money Deposit DD/PO should be from a Nationalised/ Scheduled Bank in favour of **"ICICI Bank Limited"** payable at **Bangalore.**

For any further clarifications with regards to inspection, terms and conditions of the auction or submission of tenders, kindly contact ICICI Bank Limited on **9844542086/8008999536** or **M/s NexXen Solutions Private Limited** on **9810029926/ 01244233933**

Please note that Marketing agencies **1. M/s NexXen Solutions Private Limited have also been engaged for facilitating the sale of this property. 2. Augeo Asset Management Pvt Ltd.** have also been engaged for facilitating the sale of this property.

The Authorised Officer reserves the right to reject any or all the bids without furnishing any further reasons. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please visit **www.icicibank.com/n4p4s**

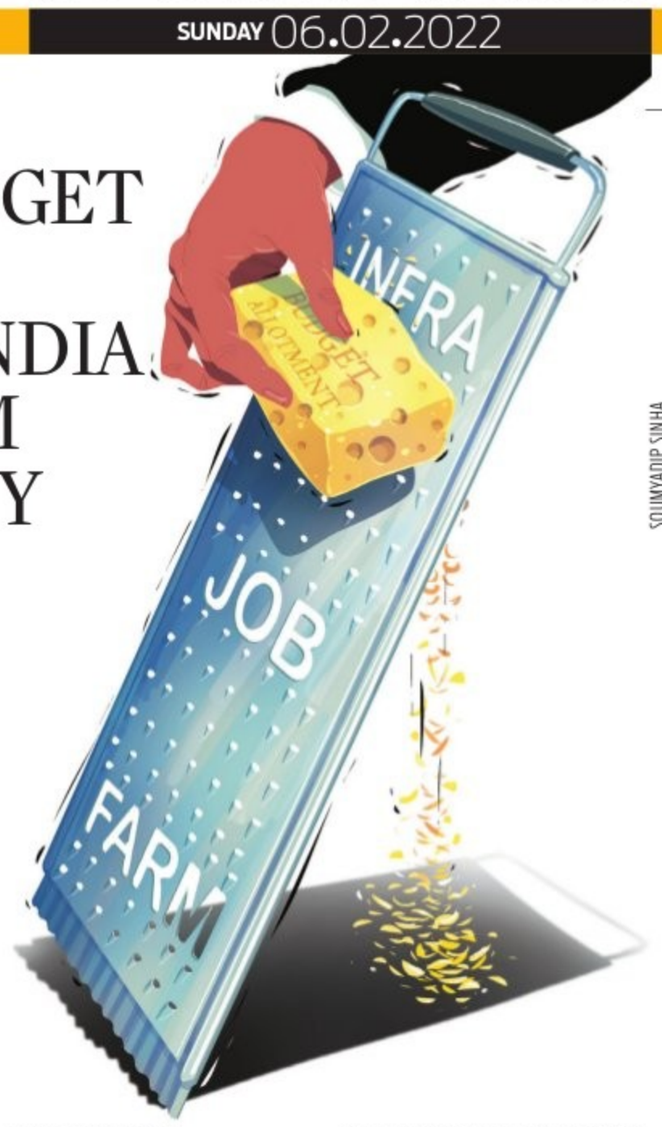
Date: February 05, 2022
Place: Bangalore

Authorized Officer
ICICI Bank Limited

$629.755 bn Indian's total foreign exchange reserves, after declining by $4.531 billion in the week ended January 28, according to the RBI data.

NEWSCOPE

THE BUDGET DOESN'T THINK INDIA IS A FARM ECONOMY



SOUMYADIP SINHA

GURBIR SINGH

AFTER the high of a 'growth-oriented' budget, pumped up by the swish talk of industry reps, comes the hangover of the morning; and the feeling that all is not right. The two big holes now being seen in the finance minister's Union Budget FY2023 is the lack commitment to agriculture and to creating jobs.

This is not to say these did not find mention. A wag counted and said Nirmala Sitharaman mentioned the word 'agriculture' 7 times in her speech. On a serious note, the sector needs support desperately. It accounts for just 14% of the country's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) but 42% of total employment. It's a stark imbalance. Putting it another way, agriculture is the primary source of livelihood for 58% of the population.

For starters, there is not a whisper of the much-talked-of target of doubling farmers' income, a big omission considering the target for achieving the feat had been kept for 2022, India's 75th year of Independence. The promise was made by the Prime Minister on 28 February, 2016.

Understandably the FM did not bring it up. It would have been a huge embarrassment. The government's figures estimated in 2016 the annual farm income to be ₹ 96,703, or ₹8,060 a month. Factoring in inflation, doubling of income will translate to ₹21,146 a month. We are nowhere near that figure. What we do know is that average monthly income of farm households in 2018-19 was ₹10,218 per month in nominal terms, as stated by the 77th round of Situation Assessment Survey of Agricultural Households in 2021.

Rural India gets short shrift

In a nutshell, the following is what is there in the Budget for agriculture:

- ₹2.37 lakh crore minimum support price (MSP) for procurement of wheat and paddy.
- Chemical-free farming to be promoted initially on 5 Km wide corridors along the Ganga.
- NABARD to finance a start-up fund for agriculture and rural enterprise.
- 'Kisan Drones' for crop assessment, digitization of land records, and spraying insecticides.

Of these, the only substantial allocation in the procurement for wheat and paddy of ₹2.37 lakh crore. This is a step down from the MSP allocation in the 2020-21 budget when it was ₹2.42 lakh crore. The other proposals - for organic, non-chemical farming along the Ganga, a fund for agricultural start-ups and 'kisan drones' - all sound good, but where are the funds? There's only ₹198 crore allocated for development of organic farming in the North-East.

It's not just about outlays, the philosophy of the Budget gives a total miss to agriculture. Besides wheat and paddy, there is no MSP package for any other crop; nor is there any pushfor crop diversification.

Research and crop diversification, the backbone of agrarian growth, has got no money. There is a meagre allocation of ₹100 crore for Parampragat Krishi Vikas Yojana (organic farming), down from the earlier ₹450 crore. There is also noreduction of the burden on farmers by cutting GST on the high cost of seeds, fertilizer, farm equipment and other inputs.

No jobs either

Is it political shortsightedness too? The Union government rightly pulled back on the farm laws and tried to make peace with the farming community a few months ago. The move was widely interpreted as a necessary compromise with elections looming large in Punjab and UP. However, what prevented the government to carry forward the initiative to give a booster dose to the teetering farm economy?

In a statement, the All India Kisan Sabha calls the budget an 'an act of the revenge' on the farmers movement. "Farmers demand for assured procurement at remunerative prices and loan waiver, have met with callous indifference. Total allocation was ₹4.75 lakh crore in 2021-2022 (Revised Estimates), that has now fallen to ₹3.70 lakh crore, a cut of over Rs one lakh crore," says the statement.

Rural jobs and employment too have been given a miss. Let's take a quick look at the government's largest employment programme — the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) — which guarantees 100 days of work a year.

The Budget allocated ₹73,000 crore for this year, same as the Budget Estimates for 2021-22. But in the Revised Estimates of FY2022, the allocation was enhanced to ₹98,000 crore. In this context, the Budget Estimates for 2022-23 are way short. In fact, in 2020-21, the actual expenditure on MGNREGS was ₹1,11,170 crore .

The government unfortunately is clutching on to a trickle-down theory - a hope that its intense spending programme in infrastructure of ₹7.5 lakh crore will kickstart new projects which will spin-off lakhs of jobs. It doesn't happen that way. Generating jobs has to be planned and specific allocations made. This has been repeatedly proven, but who's listening?

Will Tatas' AI break aviation jinx?

AI has potential to take on global carriers but its ageing fleet to be a challenge, say experts

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

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THERE is a popular saying in corporate world, "if a billionaire wants to become a millionaire, he should start an airline". This saying holds very true in Indian market as well. Aviation is not an easy business to crack, especially in a market which is heavily regulated such as India. High jet fuel prices, numerous taxes, cut throat competition and difficulty in availing finance make this business unviable for many.

Despite these challenges, the Indian aviation sector continues to attract new players. Tatas, which is already a key player in the market with Vistara and Air Asia, will now be looking to revive Air India, which it acquired from the government of India. Billionaire investor Rakesh Jhunjhunwala is entering the sector with his Akasa Air, as also Jet Airways is set to restart operations. Would the new (re)entrants change the fate of the sector in the country?

Inherent challenges & Covid

Despite challenges and failure of two major airlines last decade (Kingfisher and Jet Airways), passenger traffic grew at a healthy pace and few players flourished. However, everything changed in March 2020 with the outbreak of Covid.

"Over the last 2 years, the industry has been depressed as a result of covid. We are in the worst situation ever. The biggest worry right now is how on earth we can make this sector work," says Mark Martin, chief executive at aviation industry consultancy Martin Consulting LLC.

Sumit Singhania, Partner, Deloitte India, says that frequent curbs on travel haven't really helped the air travel demand. "Losses of airlines are extending and next year too most players are likely to remain in the red," said Singhania.

According to rating agency Crisil, three Indian airlines (IndiGo, SpiceJet and Air India) are expected to post a record loss of over ₹20,000 crore in the current financial year because of the third wave (Omicron) and higher aviation turbine fuel (ATF) prices. This is 44% higher than the loss of ₹13,853 crore last fiscal.

After the devastating second wave, air traffic registered a sequential growth of 27% in Oct 2021, 17% in Nov 2021 and 5-6% in Dec 2021. In Jan 2022, air traffic and flight movement fell sharply as new Covid cases surged at record pace.

Rising jet fuel prices is adding to the woes of the sector. The ATF on Feb 1 was hiked by ₹6,743.25 per kilolitre or 8.5% to ₹86,038.16 per kl in the national capital. This is the highest ever price of ATF.

"Jet fuel cost is 40% of overall sales, which is hurting the industry. We believe the fortunes of the industry lies in reduction in tax on fuel and easing of pandemic situation," said Vinod Nair, head of Research at Geojit financial services.

The industry was hoping the government will announce relief measures in this year's budget. "India's Union Budget 2022 had nothing for aviation or tourism. This was highly disappointing and insensitive given the near-broken state of these sectors, although somewhat expected," said Aviation consultancy firm Centre for Asia Pacific Aviation (CAPA).

Ronojoy Dutta, CEO of IndiGo, also said that they were expecting concessions in the forms of cuts in ATF excise duty and concessional finance to airlines. He had earlier said that the government needs to reduce indirect taxes on the sector (which stands around 21%) and asked the government to cut central excise taxes on fuel from 11% to 5%, bring ATF under GST and eliminate custom duties on repair parts.

Increasing competition

According to analysts, the new private Air India and Akasa Air are very positive signs for the sector.

"Akasa is going to be a very welcoming change for the sector and consumers while Air India will mark the resurgence of the aviation sector in India," said Martin.

He added that AI will predominantly be an international airline. "It is sitting on bilateral agreements with around 150 countries. It will obviously start flying there. With Tata Group's excellent record, AI has the potential to take on some of the largest carriers in the world," Martin.

However, the big challenge for Air India is its ageing fleet, improving customer service and attracting millennial passengers. On Akasa, Martin said that it will give tough competition to IndiGo and it may become difficult for the latter to have a market share of 50-60%.

Nair of Geogit says that privatization of Air India will improve the industry outlook and passenger service but high competition is likely to further impact weak airlines, unless they turnaround their operational and bring down cost.

According to Martin, while IndiGo has the whole world on its doorstep and GoAir has a strong promoter, it is the Gurugram-based SpiceJet which is treading on very thin ice.

EXPRESS READ

Bank of Baroda profit doubles to ₹2,197cr

New Delhi: State-owned Bank of Baroda on Saturday reported doubling of its net profit to `2,197 crore on a standalone basis in the quarter ended in December 2021. The lender had posted a net profit of `1,061 crore in the same quarter a year ago. Total income during the third quarter of 2021-22 rose to `20,482.26 crore as against `20,407.45 crore in Q3FY21, the bank said in a regulatory filing.

Healthy capex spend will create assests: FM

New Delhi: The Policy prescription outlined in the Budget 2022-23 focuses on healthy capex spend that will boost sectors through a multiplier effect and create assets for the 21st century, said finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Saturday. The minister while addressing the National Council of CII said that boost on capex will also ensure that the revival and recovery which is taking place, will last for a few years and crowds in private investments.

UNION BUDGET 2022-23

DIRECT TAX PROPOSALS FOCUS ON COMPLIANCE, CUTTING LITIGATION

FINANCE Minister Nirmala Sitharaman's second budget amid the pandemic stands at the pedestal of populous expectations by the middle class and the measures to cushion them from inflationary measures, particularly on taxes and impact felt by MSMEs and its effect on citizens' health and well-being index.

Mukesh Butani
Managing Partner, BMR Legal Advocates

On the back of a stupendous rise in tax collections, the budget deviates from the temptation to tinker with the slab rates; instead, it focuses on extending the concessional tax rate of 15% for new manufacturing units to March 2024 and start-up tax holiday to March 31, 2023. Simultaneously, it focuses on widening and deepening the tax base and mobilising tax collections by promoting voluntary compliance and reducing litigation. Though no significant reliefs have been announced for individuals and corporates, no additional tax burden in the form of speculated new taxes such as wealth tax and inheritance tax is a sigh of relief.

Expanding the tax base, the budget included a new taxation scheme on virtual digital assets (popularly called bitcoins/ cryptocurrencies) at 30%. A maximum marginal rate of tax and surcharge, including a levy of gift tax in the hands of the recipient of crypto, is suggestive of a cautious approach in an area which perceptibly at least is plagued with concerns on tax evasion.

The underlying objective of the expansive tax base, a continuing theme of her budgets, is suggestive of continuously tapping into an area of economic activity often prone to escapement of tax, keeping in mind the larger economic goal to prevent tax evasion.

On the back of last year's success to add offshore banking and aircraft leasing to tax-exempt status, the budget proposals have added additional items such as non-resident investors deriving income from offshore derivative instruments, royalty/interest income of lease of ships and aircraft engines etc.

Reformative provisions for reopening assessment procedures have been sharpened by broadening the meaning of the term "information" where notices for reassessment are issued and made applicable retrospectively from April 1, 2021. These amendments are viewed as taking away the bold approach proposed last year and sought to dilute the provisions.

—Nikky Jhamtani, managing associate at BMR Legal Advocates, also contributed to this article.

(Views are personal)

SBI Q3 profit jumps 62% to ₹8,432 cr

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @Mumbai

THE country's largest lender SBI posted its highest quarterly profit of ₹8,432 crore, a 62.27% year on year growth, on higher domestic advances of 6.47%, particularly home loans, and improving asset quality.

Net interest income rose 6.48% y-o-y to ₹3,0687 crore but was down 1.59% sequentially, as the bank preferred to maintain "adequate risk premium" while carrying out its lending activity, said Dinesh Khara, chairman, SBI. Also loan loss provisions jumped 35.18% y-o-y and 14.7% sequentially.

Gross advances rose 8.47% to ₹26.64 lakh crore with domestic advances growing at 6.47%. The bank's asset quality improved sequentially with GNPA ratio down by 3.16% and net NPA ratio lower by 6.95%.

Asked about provisions for a large retail company's loans turning NPA, Khara said without referring to any account that "sufficient" provisions had been made to insulate the bank's balance sheet from "future shocks."

Ramakumar gets extension as Director (R&D) at Indian Oil

The Appointments Committee of Cabinet (ACC) has approved the extension of Dr SSV Ramakumar as Director (R&D), Indian Oil Corporation w.e.f from February 1, 2022 ti 31, 2023 i.e. the date of his superannuation.

He had joined the Indian Oil Board as Director (R&D) on 1st Feb 2017. An alumnus of IIT-Roorkee, Dr Ramakumar has more than 3 decades of experience in downstream hydrocarbons sector.

MCL celebreates 73rd Republic Day

OP Singh, Chariman-cum-Managing Director led the 73rd Republic Day celebrations at Mahanadi Coalfields Limited (MCL). At the headquarters, the CMD unfurled the tricolour at Anand Vihar Grounds and inspected the ceremonial parade of MCL Security personnel. Extending his greetings on the occasion, Mr Singh expressed his gratitude towards the armed forces for their valour and service to the nation.

Dr. GSK Velu reappointed Chairman, FICCI, TN

Dr. GSK Velu, Chairmand and Managing Director-Trivitron Group of Companies and Chairman-Neuberg Diagnostics and Mentor, Director and Shareholder-Kauvery Group of Hospitals and Honorary Consul to the Republic of Estonia in India, has been re-appointed as the Chairman, FICCI Tamil Nadu State Council for the year 2022. Dr. GSK Velu is a serial entrepreneur and visionary.

Business & Beyond

JSP celebrates 73rd Republic Day

Jindal Steel & Power (JSP) celebrated the 73rd Republic Day at the OP Jindal School ground in Jindal Nagar. JSP's Angul location head and Executive Director (In-Charge) Mr.Hridayeshwar Jha unfurled the national flag in presence of Executive Directors Mr. Damodar Mittal, Executive Director Mr.Sabyasachi Bandyopadhyay, O.P Jindal School Principal Mr.Atanu Rath and other senior officials of the company.

A coffee table book on migratory bird

Mr. Sudhi Ranjan Mshra, Head -Corporate Affairs, Paradeep Phosphates Limited, Presenting the coffee table book on birds 'Vivid Quills' to Prof. Ganeshi Lal, Governor of Odisha. This book published by PPL is an exclusive collection on migratory birds that are visiting PPL plant site every year.

73rd Republic Day celebrated at Board Secretariat, BBMB

The 73rd Republic Day a was celebrated with great fanfare at BBMB Board Secretariat, Chandigarh. The flag hoisting was performed by Sanjay Srivastava, Chairman BBMB. He along with HS Chugh, Member-Power and Kahlon FA & CAO released Hindi magazine 'Jeevandhara'.

Hindustan Chamber of Commerce welcomes Budget

Hindustan Chamber of Commerce discussed about the union budget 2022-23. Growth oriented schemes such as Gati Shakti will benefit MSMEs and exporters to reduce logistics cost, one-station-one-product will create and integrate needed infrastructure and logistics and help focused product MSMEs to grow and expand geographical reach, credit guarantee scheme extension till 2023 with enhancement by `50,000 crore to 5 lakh crore will benefit MSMEs affected by the pandemic.

73rd Republic Day celebrated by VO Chidambaranar Port Trust

The 73rd Republic Day was celebrated by VO Chidambaranar Port Trust at Port's School ground. The celebrations commenced with the unfurling of the national flag by TK Ramachandran, IAS., Chairman, VO Chidambaranar Port Trust. He stated that Covid-19 has upended the landscape of global maritime trade, and in spite of that, VOC Port has handled 26.05 MT of cargo and 5.93 Lakh TEUs of containers during this financial year upto Dec 2021.

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POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property)

Where as The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **The National Co-Operative Bank Limited.**, under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Ordinance, 2002 (Ord.3 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notices calling upon the Borrowers / Mortgagors / Guarantors to repay the amount mentioned In the notice within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower and the Co-obligant having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the ordinance read with rule 9 of the said rules below mentioned dates.

The borrower and the Co-obligant in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **The National Co-Operative Bank Limited.**, for an amount interest and Other Charges mentioned below.

(1) Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor :

Mr.Ekambaram Naidu T and Co-obligant/s Mrs.Umarani T Both residing at Flat No.PH-1, 4th Floor, Kasturi Palace, 1st A Main Road, Kasturinagar, Bengaluru – 560 043,

Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs.15,06,57,404/- (Rupees Fifteen Crore Six Lakhs Fifty Seven Thousand Four Hundred And Four Only) as on **31.08.2021** and further interest from **01.09.2021** and other charges thereon.

Demand Notice Dated : 08.10.2021 **Possession Notice Date: 01.02.2022**

Schedule of Assets

Description of the Immovable Property are as noted below: ANNEXURE-1

SCHEDULE – A: All that piece and parcel of land dwelling houses and outhouses, wells, trees and drains thereon built and planted and situated and floors/outhouses here in after to be built, planted together with all rights and easements pertaining thereto and thereafter and enjoyed acquired Property bearing Site.No.4M-506 Situated at 2nd Block, HRBR Layout, Hennur Road, Banaswadi Road Extension, formed by BDA, Bengaluru, Property Belongs to Sri.Ekambaram Naidu T measuring an extent of East to West 25.90mtrs, and North to South 15.00 mtrs., totally admeasuring 388.50 Sq.Mtrs(4182 Sq.feet) and bounded by: East by : Site No.4M-505, West by : 4th Main Road North by : Site No.4M-508, South by : Site N.4M-504.

SCHEDULE – B: All that piece and parcel of the Site No.4M-508, Situated at 2nd Block, Hennur Banaswadi Road, Bengaluru formed by BDA, Presently within the limits of BBMP, Property Belongs to M/s.Indo Asian Academy Education Trust represented by its chairman and managing trustee, Sri. Ekambaram Naidu T Measuring East to West 25.90 mtrs and North to South 15 Mtrs totally admeasuring 388.50 sq. mtrs along with the bounded by: East by : Site No.4M-507, West by : 4th Main Road, North by : Site No.4M-510, South by : Site No.4M-506.

SCHEDULE – C: All that piece and parcel of land dwelling houses and outhouses, wells, trees and drains thereon built and planted and situated and floors/outhouses here in after to be built, planted together with all rights and easements pertaining thereto and thereafter and enjoyed and all the piece and parcel of property bearing Site No.1&2 Municipal Katha No.406/80/1/57 formed in Sy.No57,(converted vide conversion order No.ALN.SR(E):91/2002-03), situated at Hennur Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, East to West 80feet, and North to South 69 feet., totally admeasuring 5520 Sq.feet) and bounded by: East by: BDA Property, West by : BDA Property, North by : 60 Feet Main Road, South by : Private Property.

SCHEDULE – C 1: The Flat No.PH-2, 4th floor, HBR Palace measuring 1500 Sq.feet Super builtup area 3BHK along with North side 1125 Sq.Feet Open Garden Area of the same flat alongwith 346 Sq.feet undivided share in the schedule G Property Belongs to Sri.Ekambaram Naidu T and bounded by: East by : PH-1 (3BHK Flat), West by : BDA Property, North by : Road, South by : Private Property.

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SCHEDULE – G: All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Old No.10 present Corporation No.2/174/05, PID No.017-W0284-23, (Old No.2-174-5) BBMP Ward No.2 Jalahalli, Situated at Raghavendra Layout, D Block, Behind Good Shed of Yeshwanthapur Railway Station, Bengaluru, Property Belongs to Sri.Ekambaram Naidu T measuring East to West 60 feet and North to South 40 feet together with 71 square building consisting of Ground, First and second Floor of the Residential building constructed thereon., totally measuring 2400sq.feet along with the building constructed thereon and bounded by: East by : Property No.6&7, West by: Road, North by : Property No.11, South by : Property No.9.

SCHEDULE – H: All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing No.6, (Old No.11) present Corporation No.2/174/06, BBMP Ward No.2 Jalahalli, Situated at Raghavendra Layout, D Block, 2ND Cross Behind Good Shed of Yeshwanthapur Railway Station, Bengaluru, Property Belongs to Smt.Umarani T W/o Sri.Ekambaram Naidu T measuring East to West 60 feet and North to South 40 feet together with building constructed thereon., totally measuring 2400sq feet along with the building constructed thereon and bounded by: East by : Property No.5&6, West by : Road, North by : Road, South by : Property No.10.

(2) Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor :

(1) M/s.Indo Asian Academy Education Trust Represented by its Managing Trustee and Chairman Mr.Ekambaram Naidu T and its Director/s and Co-obligant/s (2) Mr.Ekambaram Naidu T (3) Smt.Umarani T having registered office at No.10, 4th D Main HRBR Layout, 2nd Block, Kalyannagar Bengaluru – 560 043 and Mr.Ekambaram Naidu T and Smt.Umarani T both residing at No.PH-1, 4th Floor, Kasturi Palace, 1st A Main, Kasturi Nagar Bengaluru – 560 043

Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs.21,18,45,101.50/- (Rupees Twenty One Crore Eighteen Lakhs Forty Five Thousand One Hundred One And Fifty Paisa Only) as on **31.08.2021** and further interest from **01.09.2021** and other charges thereon.

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SCHEDULE – I: All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing No.6, (Old No.11) present Corporation No.2/174/06, BBMP Ward No.2 Jalahalli, Situated at Raghavendra Layout, D Block, 2ND Cross Behind Good Shed of Yeshwanthapur Railway Station, Bengaluru, Property Belongs to Smt.Umarani T W/o Sri.Ekambaram Naidu T measuring East to West 60 feet and North to South 40 feet together with building constructed thereon., totally measuring 2400sq feet along with the building constructed thereon and bounded by: East by : Property No.5&6, West by : Road, North by : Road, South by : Property No.10

Date : 01.02.2022
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
The National Co-Operative Bank Limited.,

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that **Mr. Ananthagopal Kadayam Perumal** and his siblings, being the owners and in possession of the schedule property, have lost the original **Sale Deed bearing Document no.1340/1983-84, dated 08.08.1983,** pertaining to the schedule property. Accordingly Mr. **Ananthagopal** has reported a police complaint in the jurisdictional Police station on 28.12.2021, however the same could not be traced till now. Any person/s who finds the above said document, may kindly handover the same to the address mentioned below. It is cautioned to the general public that any person/s, Societies, Association/s, Government Authorities, financial institutions, judicial authorities dealing with the said property based on the lost original document shall proceed at their own risk.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the **residential house property bearing No153,** bearing **PID No.98-45-153,** in the layout known as HMT Layout, at Ganganagar, Bengaluru, ward no.98, along with house and bounded on the:

East by : Road
West by : Site No.138
North by : Site no.152
South by : Site No.154

For NAYARKODI ASSOCIATES
Dhiraj Nayarkodi, Advocate
#62, AECS Layout, Gedalahalli,
Sanjaynagar, Bangalore-560094
Ph: 23411958, Mob: 9886755278

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client **Mr. NITHYANAND NALIN KUMAR MEHTA,** aged about 36 years, S/o. Mr. Nalin Kumar Mehta residing at No.C12, Vinayaka Meadows Apartment, 5th Cross, Chikka Banasawadi, Bangalore - 560 033 is intending to purchase the schedule mentioned property from its owner/s **Mr. LESTER MASCARENHAS,** aged about 42 years, S/o. Mr. Rudolph Mascarenhas, R/at.No.7/1, 1st Main, Defence Colony, Indiranagar, Bangalore-560038, Represented by **G.P.A Holder Mr. RUDOLPH MASCARENHAS, aged about 74 years, S/o. Late Louis Mascarenhas, R/at.No.7/1, 1st Main, Defence Colony, Indiranagar, Bangalore-560038.** The owner has represented that the schedule property is free from all encumbrances. Be it known, that if any person/s having any objections in respect of the schedule property they shall lodge their claim/objections with documentary proof to the undersigned within **07 (seven) days** from the date of publication of this notice. In the absence of receipt of any legally, valid claim / objections within the aforesaid period, my client will proceed with the purchase of the schedule property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL of immovable property bearing No.8, P.I.D. No. 84/34/8, earlier Katha bearing No. 413/1, being portion of Property No. 170/2, situated at Ramaiah Reddy Layout, Chikkabanaswadi, Krishnarajapura Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk now comes under the BBMP, Bangalore, measuring East to West 60 feet and North to South 40 feet, totally measuring 2400 Sq.Ft. consisting of ground floor, first floor and Second floor in all measuring about 5000 Sq.ft of super built up area inclusive of Stair case Room, Balconies, Car Park as Porch, together with all rights, appurtenances, whatsoever, wheather underneath or above the surface and bounded:-

East by : Property bearing Site No. 7, **West by :** 30 feet Road, **North by :** Property Site No.9 **South by:** Railway Property.

K. MOHAN, advocate
No.64, 4th Cross, INDIRANAGAR,
2nd STAGE, BANGALORE-560 038.
Mobile. No. 9845234925

PUBLIC NOTICE

That my client, Sri.B.Rajendra Prasad @ Rajendra Reddy, S/o late Buddappa, R/at No.222, Top Bakery Road, Tubarahalli, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk has filed a suit bearing O.S.No.1966/2021 on the file of the IV Addl. Senior Civil Judge, Bengaluru Rural District, Bengaluru for the relief of declaration and possession in respect of the schedule property since the same was granted to her mother, Smt.Kenchamma by the Land Tribunal vide orders dated 09.09.1988. Concealing these material facts, alienations have been made by the persons who have no right over the property to third parties who have also been impleaded as parties to the above suit. Pursuant to the purchase, constructions are being put up and attempts are made to create third party interest by alienating the Flats to various number of purchasers not withstanding the pendency of the suit.

The public in large or any intending buyers are hereby notified about the pendency of the suit. The said constructions are being put up by M/s.United Infrastructures, Bengaluru.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the land bearing Sy. No. 326 measuring 1 Acre 22 Guntas of Amani Bellandur Khane, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk and bounded on the **East by:** Munivenkatappa's land, **West by:** Ashwath Reddy's property, **North by:** Land bearing Sy. No. 327, **South by:** Ramaiah Reddy's land.

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PUBLICATION - DEMAND NOTICE

Notice under Section 13(2) of The Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 - Sent on **19-01-2022** by Registered Post with acknowledgement due and the same was **returned by Mr. S. Rajesh, Mr. H. Sukhraj, Mrs. Nirmala S. Rajesh.** Hence this

No.1) M/s. Santhosh Traders, No.115/1, 4th Main Road, APMC Yard, Yeshwanthpur, Bangalore - 560022. No.2) Mr. S. Rajesh, S/o. Sukhraj, No.4/2, GB Lane, Cottonpet Cross, Bangalore - 560053. No.3) Mr. H. Sukhraj, S/o. Hastimal, No.4/2, GB Lane, Cottonpet Cross, Bangalore - 560053. No.4) Mrs. Nirmala S. Rajesh, W/o. Rajesh, No.4/2, GB Lane, Cottonpet Cross, Bangalore - 560053.

Dear Sir/ Madam

Sub: Loan account / Overdraft with **City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Sultanpet Branch** in the name of **M/s. Santhosh Traders.**

The Bank issued notice under the SARFAESI Act on **19-01-2022** calling upon Nos.1 to 4 of you jointly and severally towards the Loan Account 512020010016361 is **Rs.1,89,24,706/- (Rupees One Crore Eighty Nine Lakh Twenty Four Thousand Seven Hundred and Six Only)** Nos.1 to 4 of you jointly and severally towards the Loan Account 501812080074764 is **Rs.40,60,185/- (Rupees Forty Lakh Sixty Thousand One Hundred and Eighty Five Only)** as on **06-01-2022** with further interest for 501812080074764 at **9.25%** plus **2.00%** penal interest p.a. (not compounded) 512020010016361 at **11.00%** plus **2.00%** penal interest p.a. (not compounded) with monthly rests from **07-01-2022** till the date of repayment. The notice sent to you by Registered Post have been **received by No.1 of you and returned by Nos.2, 3 & 4.**

Therefore, we hereby once again call upon Nos.1 to 4 of you jointly and severally towards the Loan Account 512020010016361 is **Rs.1,89,24,706/- (Rupees One Crore Eighty Nine Lakh Twenty Four Thousand Seven Hundred and Six Only)** Nos.1 to 4 of you jointly and severally towards the Loan Account 501812080074764 is **Rs.40,60,185/- (Rupees Forty Lakh Sixty Thousand One Hundred and Eighty Five Only)** with further interest for 501812080074764 at **9.25%** plus **2.00%** penal interest p.a. (not compounded) 512020010016361 at **11.00%** plus **2.00%** penal interest p.a. (not compounded) with monthly rests from **07-01-2022** till date of repayment within 60 days from the date of this notice failing which Bank will be Constrained to exercise its rights of enforcement of security interest as against the secured assets given in the schedule hereunder. This Notice is published / issued without prejudice to any other right / remedy available to the Bank.

Note:- That our **054 - Bengaluru-Sultanpet Branch** has also extended Financial Assistance (CUB OSL SPECIAL-BR: 501812080079836) dated **05-07-2021** requested by No.1 of you represented by Nos.2 & 3 of you as Partners for which Nos.2 & 3 of you stood as Co-Obligants for the facility for a Total Amount of **Rs.14,00,000/-** at a ROI of **13%.** The same has been also classified as NPA on **03-11-2021** and the outstanding balance as on **06-01-2022** is **Rs.15,00,326/-** plus further interest and penal interest of 2.00% with monthly rests to be charged from **07-01-2022** till the date of realization.

Immovable Properties Mortgaged to our Bank

Schedule - A: (Property Owned by Mr. H. Sukhraj, S/o. Mr. Hastimal)

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing middle portion out of the Three Portions of whole Property Bearing Municipal No.42, Late No.54, Present Municipal No.42, Late No.54, Present Municipal No.4/2, situated at Gejjebasetty Lane, Cottonpet, Bangalore, Measuring:- East to West - 20 ft., North to South - 21.6 ft., in all measuring 432 Sq.ft. and bounded on the:- East by - Private Property, West by - Property of Shankar, North by - Road, South by - Private Property.

Schedule - B: (Property Owned by Mrs. Nirmala S. Rajesh, W/o. Mr. Rajesh)

All that piece and parcel of Southern Portion of the Property No.6/1, PID No.10-10-6/1, situated 2nd Cross, APMC Yard, Yeswanthpur, Bangalore, Measuring:- East to West - 30 ft., North to South - 27½ ft., in all measuring 825 Sq.ft. and bounded on the:- East by - Link Road leading to APMC Yard, West by - APMC Retaining Wall, North by - Remaining Property of No.6, South by - Proeprty belonging to APMC.

Schedule -C: (Movables Hypothecated to our Bank)

All Items of Food Grains and Rice Stored at M/s. Santhosh Traders, Godown, No.115/1, 4th Main Road, APMC Yard, Yeshwanthpur, Bangalore - 560022.

Place : Kumbakonam, Date: 03-02-2022 **Authorised Officer**

Regd. Office : 149, T.S.R. (Big) Street, Kumbakonam, Thanjavur District, Tamil Nadu - 612 001, **CIN -** L65110TN1904PLC001287, **Telephone No.** 0435-2402322, **Fax :** 0435-2431746, **Website :** www.cityunionbank.com

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that **M/S INDO ARYA CENTRAL TRANSPORT LIMITED,** having its Registered Office at No.147, Transport Centre, Punjabi Bagh, New Delhi – 110035, is desirous to sell the under mentioned property to my client and any person or persons claiming any interest on the under mentioned property or any part thereof, is hereby required to communicate the same to me, with documentary evidence at my Office, situated at **DOOR NO.2765/1A D13/A1, "KEYANS", 5TH MAIN ROAD, V.V. PURAM (V.V. MOHALLA), MYSORE – 570 002,** within 15 (Fifteen) days from the date of this publication, as otherwise the said sale will be completed without any reference or regard to any such purported claim or interest, which shall be deemed to have been waived for all intents and purposes.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

Office Space bearing No.604, Municipal New No.20/56 (Old No.604) in Sixth Floor of the building known as **'BRIGADE RUBIX'**, measuring 2625 Sq. Ft. of built-up area and 875 Sq.Ft. of proportionate share in common areas, totally measuring 3500 Sq. Ft. of super built up area approximately, with right to use Four Top Covered Car Parking Spaces in the Lower Basement Level and the Office Space along with 1638.93 Square Feet of Undivided share, right, title, interest and ownership in the land admeasuring 91,499 Sq. Ft., in Plot No.MYS 357 in Peenya Plantation, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore and presently bearing Municipal No.20 (Old No.5), HMT Factory Main Road, Municipal Ward No.1, Bangalore. PID No.1-77-20/56.

Date: 04.02.2022 Place: Mysore
Dhirendra Kumar R. Mehta
Advocate
KEY-ANS LAW SOLUTIONS

SREE THYAGARAJA CO-OPERATIVE BANK LIMITED

Head Office: No.5, 9th Cross, Narasimharaja Colony, Bangalore – 560 019. Telephone:22958156, 22958157.

(Rule 8(1) POSSESSION NOTICE (for immovable property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the authorised officer of the **Sree Thyagaraja Cooperative Bank Limited,** H.O.No.5, 9th Cross, Narasimharaja Colony, Bangalore – 560 019 under the Securitisation & Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Ordinance, 2002 (Ord.3 of 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice calling upon the undersigned borrowers / legal heirs to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The borrowers / legal heirs having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers / legal heirs and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said Ordinance read with rule 9 of the said rule. The borrowers / legal heirs in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Sree Thyagaraja Co-operative Bank Limited,** Head Office No.5, 9th Cross, Narasimharaja Colony, Bangalore – 560 019.

Sr. No.	Loanee Name	Description of the property	Loan Balance outstanding amount	Possession taken date
		Main Branch		
1	1) Sri.C.Ramadas 2)Sri.R.Narendra 3) Sri.R.Surendra	No.13, PID No.67-8-13, 5th Cross Road, 6th Block, Koramangala, Bangalore - 560 095, measuring East to West : 40-0 ft. and North to South : 60-0 ft. and bounded on East by : Property No.12, West by : Property No.14, North by: Property No.22, South by : Road.	Rs. 40,72,721/- as on 28.01.2022	05.02.2022
2	1) Smt.N. Muthulaksmi 2) Sri. S.Trilokchandar 3) Smt.S.Bharathi 4) Smt.S.Leela	No.8, Old No.34, PID No.53-158-8, 20th Main Road, 5th Cross, 2nd Block, B.S.K. I Stage, Srinagara, Ward 53, Bangalore, measuring East to West- 48-0 ft., and North to South- 30-0 ft., bounded on East by : Site No.47, West by : Road, North by : Site No.35, South by : Site No.33	Rs.16,14,910/- as on 28.01.2022	05.02.2022
3	1) Sri V Vasantha Kumar 2) Smt. Veena	New Municipal No 82 PID No54-359-82, old Gramatana No.15/1, New No.67/65, and present Municipal No.82, situated at Katriguppa Gramatana Pradesha Katriguppa Village Bangalore South Taluk and now the property comes under limits of BBMP and as such the now the property situated at 1st Main Katriguppa Village Near Maramma Temple BSK 3rd Stage Bangalore-560085, and the BBMP Ward No.54, Srinivasnagar consisting of resdinitial house in Ground floor, First Floor and Second Floor, measuring east to west 26 Feet and north to south 13 Feet. in all measuring 338Sq ft Bounded by : East by : House of Venkatasubbaiah, west by :House of Munilakkappa fell in panchath parikath, North by :3 feet common passage, South by : House of pemmaiah.	Rs. 23,72,381/- as on 18.01.2022	05.02.2022
4	Smt.Vijaya B N	No.45/1, Old No.1081, PID No.58-34-45/1, 36th E Cross, Jayanagar 4th T Block, Ward 58, Bangalore - 560 041, measuring East to West:40 Ft., and North to South:20 Ft., in all measuring 800 Sq., Ft., on the back side and passage of 5 ft width (North to South) and 45ft in length (East to West) forming part of property bearing No.1081/45, 36th E Cross, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560 041, bounded on East by : Site No.1080, West by : Site No.1082, North by : Remaining property No.1081/45 and passage and beyond that road. South by : Site No.1050.	Rs. 50,18,632/- as on 28.01.2022	05.02.2022
		Mysore Road Branch		
5	1) Smt Rathnamma T 2) Sri. Sujeeth Gowda B P	Western Portion of immovable Property situated at BDA Site No 521/1 (Old No 42) Nagendra Block, BSK 3rd Stage Bangalore South Taluk Measuring : East to West 40 feet and North to South : 40 ft totally 1600 Sq ft with With built structure there on. and Bounded on East by : Site no.19 BDA Site No. 559, West by : Road, North by : 50 Feet Road, South by : Site No. 41 BDA Site No. 522	Rs. 70,11,472/- as on 01.02.2022	05.02.2022

Date : 05.02.2022
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Sree Thyagaraja Cooperative Bank Limited

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

E-TENDER NOTICE
No. V/TRD-OT/08/2021-22
Dated 03/02/2022

Name of the Work: OHE modification in connection with electrification of FACT siding at ERNF in TVC Division.

Tender Value: ₹96,25,734.91

Period of Completion: 180 days

Date and Time of Tender closing: 02.03.2022 @ 14.00 Hrs

Complete Details and Tender Document will be available at **http://www.ireps.gov.in**

Senior Divisional Electrical Engineer (TRD)/ Thiruvananthapuram

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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that, my Client – **Sri. B Jayaram,** S/o Late Bhaire Gowda, Residing at No. 661, 8th Cross, BEML 4th Stage, Rajarajeshwarinagar, Bangalore – 560 098, has lost the Original Sale Deed dated 27/01/2012 executed by G R Byresh Represented by his GPA Holder - K T Narayanaswamy in favour of Sri. B Jayaram, Registered vide document No. RRN-1-00422-2012-13, CD No. RRND77, SRO, Rajarajeshwarinagar, Bangalore, in respect of the Vacant site bearing No. 78, formed in Converted land Sy No. 14/1, for Residential purpose, vide Official Memorandum (i) B.DIS.ALN.SR(S)294/2001-02 dated 03/01/2002, (ii) B.DIS.ALN.SR(S)294/2001-02 dated 16/07/2009, Situated at Pattanagere Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring East to West : 40 Ft. and North to South : 30 Ft., in all measuring 1,200 Sq. Ft., My client has lodged online police complaint vide lost report no. 0120082/2021, dated: 24-12-2021. If any of the Public Persons find or in possession of the Original Sale Deed dated 27/01/2012, shall hand over to the address mentioned below.

K.S. CHANDRASHEKAR,
Advocate & Notary
No.21, Dhondusa Layout, Off. Bull Temple Road, Mount Joy Cross Road, Hanumanthanagar, BANGALORE-560019.
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POSSESSION NOTICE
(For Immovable Property)

Whereas, the Authorised Officer of **KARNATAKA BANK LIMITED,** under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated **23.09.2021** calling upon the borrower/mortgagors/guarantors/Co-obligants- **(1) M/s Envigreen Biotech India Pvt Ltd, Represented by its Directors – i)Mr. Raghavendra Naik K.S, ii)Mr. Ashwath Hegde, iii) Mrs. Akshatha Hegde,** No.1012/29, Prestige Meridian, MG Road , Bengaluru-560001, **(2) Mr. Raghavendra Naik K.S,** S/o Mr. Singappa Naik, No.589, 20th Main, Near Police Station, 8th Block, Koramangala, Bengaluru-560095, **(3)Mr. Ashwath Hegde,** S/o Mr. Aruna Hegde, No.1/11, Hanumanthappa Layout, Ulsoor Road, North Sivan Chetty, Bengaluru-560042, **(4) Mrs. Akshatha Hegde, C/o M/s Envigreen Biotech India Pvt Ltd,** No.1012/29, Prestige Meridian, MG Road, Bengaluru-560001, **(5) M/s Universal Developers, Represented by its Partners-i) Mr. Raghavendra Naik K.S , ii)Mrs. A.C. Suma,** No.589, 1st Floor, 8th Block, Koramangala, Bengaluru-560095, **(6)Mrs. A.C. Suma,** No.589, 1st Floor, 8th Block, Koramangala, Bengaluru-560095, to repay an aggregate amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.4,89,04,237.94 [Rupees Four Crores Eighty Nine Lakhs Four Thousand Two Hundred Thirty Seven and Paisa Ninety Four Only] i.e Rs.1,76,86,768.53 under PSOD A/c No.9267000600005501 along with future interest from 01.09.2021 and Rs.3,12,17,469.41 under P.S Term Loan A/c No.9267001800004501 along with future interest from 16.09.2021** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower/ guarantors/Co-obligants/mortgagors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers/ guarantor/mortgagors and the public in general **that the undersigned has taken possession of the properties described herein below** in exercise of the powers conferred on him under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on this **3rd day of February, 2022.**

The borrowers/guarantors/Co-obligants/mortgagors in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property mentioned herein below and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Karnataka Bank Ltd., Bengaluru – Peenya Branch,** for an aggregate amount of **Rs.5,03,83,210.94 [Rupees Five Crores Three Lakhs Eighty Three Thousand Two Hundred Ten and Paisa Ninety Four Only] i.e Rs.1,89,87,498.53 under PSOD A/c No.9267000600005501 along with future interest from 01.02.2022 and Rs.3,13,95,712.41 under P.S Term Loan A/c No.9267001800004501 along with future interest from 16.01.2022, plus costs.**

[Your attention is invited to provisions of Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.]

Description of the Immovable Properties

Item No.1] : All that part and parcel of **Residentially Converted Vacant plots bearing No's 49, 305, 319, 320, 334, 335, 348 & 752, totally admeasuring 2413.81 Smt or 25,972.00 Sq.ft,** situated at **"Magnolia Temple Tree"** layout approved by BMRDA, in Sy.No's 66/1, 66/2, 61/3, 61/4, 61/6 & 63/1 of Mayaganahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Ramanagara Taluk & District, belonging to **M/s Universal Developers.**

Sl.No. (1) : Plot No. 49, Sy.Nos.66/2, 66/1, Panchayath Khata No.152900402101220967/793/49, Measurement in 1159.25 sq.mtrs., Measurement in 12478.00 Sq.ft, Boundaries (As per Deed/ Actual) : East : Park/Park, **West :** Road/Road, **North :** Private Property / Vacant Land and then park, **South :** Road/Road.

Sl.No. (2) : Plot No. 305, Sy.No.61/3, Panchayath Khata No.152900402101220980/793/305, Measurement in 183.86 Sq.mtrs., Measurement in 1978.00 Sq.ft, Boundaries (As per Deed/ Actual) : East : Pot No's 318/319 / Vacant Plot, **West :** Road/Road, **North :** Park/Vacant Plot and then STP, **South :** Site No.306/No.306, Vacant Plot.

Sl.No. (3) : Plot No. 319, Sy.No.61/3, Panchayath Khata No.152900402101220980/793/319, Measurement in 121.15 Sq.mtrs., Measurement in 1303.55 Sq.ft, Boundaries (As per Deed/ Actual) : East : Road/Road, **West :** Site No.305/No.305 Vacant Plot, **North :** Park/Park, **South :** Site No.318/Vacant Plot.

Sl.No. (4) : Plot No. 320, Sy.No.61/4, Panchayath Khata No.152900402101220985/793/320, Measurement in 171.96 Sq.mtrs., Measurement in 1850.00 Sq.ft, Boundaries (As per Deed/ Actual) : East : Site No.334/No.334, Vacant Plot, **West :** Road/Road, **North :** Park/Park, **South :** Site No.321/Vacant Plot.

Sl.No. (5) : Plot No. 334, Sy.No.61/4, Panchayath Khata No.152900402101220991/793/334, Measurement in 214.42 Sq.mtrs., Measurement in 2307.00 Sq.ft, Boundaries (As per Deed/ Actual) : East : Road/Road, **West :** Site No.320 & 321/ Vacant Plot, **North :** Park/Park, **South :** Site No.333/No.333, Vacant Plot.

Sl.No. (6) : Plot No. 335, Sy.No.61/6, Panchayath Khata No.152900402101220992/793/335, Measurement in 160.16 Sq.mtrs., Measurement in 1723.32 Sq.ft, Boundaries (As per Deed/ Actual) : East : Site No.348/Vacant Plot, **West :** Road/Road, **North :** Park/Park, **South :** Site No.336/No.336, Vacant Plot.

Sl.No. (7) : Plot No. 348, Sy.No.61/6, Panchayath Khata No.152900402101220980/793/348, Measurement in 196.86 Sq.mtrs., Measurement in 2118.00 Sq.ft, Boundaries (As per Deed/ Actual) : East : Road/Road, **West :** Site No.335 & 336/ Vacant Plot, **North :** Park / Park then Nala, **South :** Site No.347/No.347, Vacant Plot.

Sl.No. (8) : Plot No. 752, Sy.No.63/1, Panchayath Khata No.152900402101220828/793/752, Measurement in 206.15 Sq.mtrs., Measurement in 2218.00 Sq.ft, Boundaries (As per Deed/ Actual) : East : Road/Road, **West :** Site No's 733, 734 & 735/ Vacant Site, **North :** Site No.751/ Vacant Site, **South :** Road/Road.

Item No.2]: All that part and parcel of **Residentially Converted Vacant plots bearing No's – 18, 31, 46, 47, 93, 94 & 216 totally measuring 7145.90 Sq.ft,** situated at **"Magnolia Valley Woods"** layout approved by BMRDA, in Sy.No's-113/12, 104/3, 104/11, 113/11, 113/10, 113/15, 113/9, 113/8 & 118/3 of Kenchanakuppe Village, Bidadi Hobli, Ramanagara Taluk & District, belonging to **M/s Universal Developers.**

Sl.No. (1) : Plot No. 18, Sy.No.113/12, Measurement in 894.17 Sq.ft., **Boundaries (As per Deed/ Actual) : East :** Private Property/Vacant Plot, **West :** Road/Road, **North :** Plot No.17/No.17, Vacant Plot, **South :** Plot No.19/No.19, Vacant Plot.

Sl.No. (2) : Plot No. 31, Sy.Nos.104/3 & 104/11, Measurement in 1759.16 Sq.ft., Boundaries (As per Deed/ Actual) : East : Plot No.30/No.30, Vacant Plot, **West :** Private Property/Road, **North :** Road/Road, **South :** Private Property/Vacant Plot.

Sl.No. (3) : Plot No. 46, Sy.No.113/11, Measurement in 532.82 Sq.ft., Boundaries (As per Deed/ Actual) : East : Road/Road, **West :** Plot No.47/Vacant Plot, **North :** Private Property/Kaluve, **South :** Plot No.45/No.45, Vacant Plot.

Sl.No. (4) : Plot No. 47, Sy.No.113/11, Measurement in 516.67 Sq.ft., Boundaries (As per Deed/ Actual) : East : Plot No.46/ Vacant Plot, **West :** Road/Road, **North :** Private Property/Vacant Plot, **South :** Plot No.48/No.48, Vacant Plot.

Sl.No. (5) : Plot No. 93, Sy.Nos.113/10 & 113/15, Measurement in 936.47 Sq.ft., Boundaries (As per Deed/ Actual) : East : Park & Pathway/Park & Pathway, **West :** Road/Road, **North :** Private Property/Vacant Plot, **South :** Plot No.92/No.92, Vacant Plot.

Sl.No. (6) : Plot No. 94, Sy.Nos.113/15 & 113/9, Measurement in 952.61 Sq.ft., Boundaries (As per Deed/ Actual) : East : Road/Road, **West :** Plot No.149/No.149 Vacant Plot, **North :** Private Property/Vacant Plot, **South :** Plot No.95/No.95, Vacant Plot.

Sl.No. (7) : Plot No. 216, Sy.Nos.113/8 & 118/3, Measurement in 1554.00 Sq.ft., Boundaries (As per Deed/ Actual) : East : Road/Road, **West :** Plot No.291/No.291, Vacant Plot, **North :** Private Property/Vacant Plot, **South :** Plot No.217/ Vacant Plot.

Place: Ramanagara Taluk & District
Date: 03.02.2022

Sd/- Chief Manager & Authorised Officer
For Karnataka Bank Ltd.,

Chelsea, West Ham survive scare to advance in FA Cup

Non-league Kidderminster Harriers were seconds away from one of the biggest shocks in FA Cup history until Declan Rice rescued West Ham as the Premier League side progressed to the fifth round 2-1 after extra time. Chelsea also needed extra time to see off Plymouth 2-1 at Stamford Bridge to reach the last 16. Man City, Everton also won their ties to advance.

YOUNG AND ENERGETIC

Having had impressive run in U-19 WC, India — chasing 190 — were 174/5 after 45 overs in the final

GOMESH S @ Chennai

THE junior India team is always filled with promise. The four titles before the final on Saturday is a testimony to the team's dominance in all formats of the game. If the men are heroes in capes, the youngsters time and again showed they are the young Robins. Their skill and talent simply outshine the rest and at the U-19 World Cup they exhibited just that.

Against England, in the summit clash on Saturday, Indian pacers rattled England, reducing them to 91 for seven. However, James Rew with a fighting 95, along with James Sales (34 n.o), revived the innings, taking the Young Lions to 189 in 44.5 overs. Raj Angad Bawa picked up five wickets for 31 runs. India were batting at 174/5 after the completion of 45 overs, requiring 16 more runs to seal victory.

The India side led by Yash Dhull were among the favourites. However, on the eve of their clash against Ireland, the team just had eleven players to take the field. As many as six players were exposed to Covid, including their captain Dhull and vice captain Shaik Rasheed and were isolated. Their support staff had to be substitutes and carry drinks. The young brigade did not let the pandemic or their struggles of isolation affect them. Former India international VVS Laxman flew in to the islands to take charge. Nishant Sindhu took over the armband, openers Angkrish Raghuvanshi and Harnoor Singh stepped up as they went past one hurdle at a time. One might argue that the opponents weren't as strong, but not all battles are fought on the field. As we have seen in the last couple of years, the mental challenge that Covid poses has had a drastic impact even on senior athletes. But, the virus could not shake the resolve and confidence of the young bunch of cricketers.

By the time Dhull and others completed isolation and joined the team, India had reached the quarterfinals with spinner Vicky Ostwal leading the bowling attack. However, this time, stand-in skipper Sindhu was out with Covid, handing back the baton to Dhull. Yet another clinical show followed against defending champions Bangladesh as they reached the semis. On the big stage, the captain put his hand up and smashed a magnificent hundred against Australia while his deputy Rasheed missed on the landmark by just six runs. Ostwal spun his web, taking India to their eighth final appearance.

In a span of 20 days, the team was battered and bruised due to off-field issues; Covid, isolation, and whatnot. This young group stood tall as they found different heroes in different battles. Bawa against Uganda, Angkrish and Harnoor versus Ireland, Ostwal and Dhull against Australia.

Brief scores: England U-19 189 all out in 44.5 ovs (Rew 95; Bawa 5/31) **vs** India U-19 174/5 in 45 ovs.

Fresh challenges ahead as Rohit takes hot seat

GOMESH S @ Chennai

SINCE the 2019 ODI World Cup, India have played 24 matches, winning 11 and losing 12. Their win-loss percentage — for teams that have played over ten matches — is the second-lowest among the top ten ranked teams, with only West Indies below them. Which is why, when Rohit Sharma, the newly-appointed ODI skipper ahead of his first assignment on Saturday, said that he just has to pick up from where Virat Kohli has left the team, both he and the team managers, there are quite a few areas which he would have to work on, such as their approach with the bat in the first powerplay, the dearth of wickets in middle-overs, the all-rounder dilemma, and upping the run rate between overs 10-40. And there are already signs of slight changes, forced and intended, that one might see in the three-match series. With the squad hit with Covid and Mayank Agarwal joining the camp late, Rohit confirmed that Ishan Kishan would be opening the batting on Sunday. With the inclusion of the young aggressors in Kishan — who had a memorable ODI debut against Sri Lanka — and Mayank, India might be looking to make the most of the powerplay while also putting an end to the constant shuffling of KL Rahul in the batting line-up. Rohit also backed Kuldeep Yadav and Yuzvendra Chahal — the wrist-spin duo who would be making a comeback of sorts — to do well, especially the former, who went downhill since the 2019 World Cup. Whenever there is a change in leadership, there will be some changes in the team's approach. And Rohit would be no different. While India did experiment in the past, trying to be proactive, it would be fair to say that one bad result has seen Kohli go back to their old template. Rohit is known for his captaincy with Mumbai Indians, but how he reacts to changes as the full-time white-ball skipper is yet to be seen.

On April 2, 2011, minutes after winning the ODI World Cup, MS Dhoni said, "we can close the chapter with this World cup right now because we need to build up a team again." He had four years to do that. Although there are a settled core group of players, Rohit has just 18 months to figure out the team combinations before the next global event. And he will have to start putting the pieces together one at a time on Sunday.

Key athletics meets in South to cut down travel

INDRANEEL DAS @ Chennai

SELECTING a venue that would not involve much travelling for elite athletes during covid times was one of the major concerns for Athletics Federation of India before finalising the calendar for next season. Since most of the elite athletes are training in Bengaluru and Thiruvananthapuram, the AFI clubbed the first few national competitions including the Indian Grand Prix and the Fed Cup in south India – Kerala, Tamil Nadu and Karnataka.

"We don't want our athletes to travel too much that's why we kept all the major national events in the south," said AFI president Adille Sumariwalla. "We had to keep in mind the athletes who are training abroad and when it would be convenient for them to come here and participate."

The AFI has added two events this season -- 1st national throws and jumps. The reason was to lend balance to the calendar.

The AFI chief said this would take care of the throws and jumps athletes. "We have marathons (full, half and 10Ks) to take care of the long distance runners, the cross country too. Then we have nationals for sprinters and race walking for walkers. So these two competitions will lend balance to our calendar."

Since India has a good chance in throws and jumps at major international events, AFI would want to emphasise a little more on these two disciplines. After Neeraj Chopra's gold in javelin at the Tokyo 2020 Olympics last year, there has been interest in the sport.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

ISL: Bengaluru beat Jamshedpur

ENS @ Bengaluru

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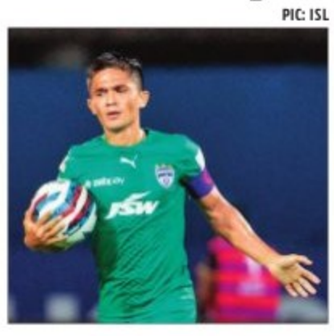

IT was going to be a big test for Bengaluru when they faced Jamshedpur FC in the ISL encounter on Saturday. The Blues showed strong character to come back from a goal down in the first minute to collect three points a second half brace from Cleiton Silva (62', 90') scoring and a Sunil Chhetri (55') goal to seal the game 3-1 in their favour in Balbolim.

With this win, Bengaluru, who are on a nine-match unbeaten streak now, have jumped to third place with 23 points. Meanwhile, Daniel Chukwu scored for the Red Miners. Chhetri's 55th minute goal also helped him take his tally to 49 goals in the ISL, now tied with Bartholomew Ogbeche for the all-time highest scorer.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

EXPRESS READ

Tata Open Maharashtra: Sousa reaches final

PUNE: Portugal's Joao Sousa beat Elias Ymer to enter the Tata Open Maharashtra singles final at the Balewadi Stadium here on Saturday. Sousa won the nail-biting semi-final 5-7, 7-6 (4), 7-5 and will take on sixth-seeded Emil Ruusuvuori in the summit clash on Sunday. Meanwhile, Rohan Bopanna and Ramkumar Ramanathan continued their brilliant run to reach the doubles final after a thrilling win over Sadio Doumbia and Fabien Reboul, score reading 4-6, 6-4, 12-10.

Set for service post Covid concerns

ASHIM SUNAM @ Bengaluru

IT was around three to four months ago that the organisers of the Bengaluru Open got confirmation about hosting back-to-back Challenger events. It was a welcome move considering how the last edition of the competition was cancelled due to the pandemic. Though the preparations to host the competition started gradually, they were gripped with fears last month or so. The third wave of Covid-19 struck India and sporting events were getting cancelled or postponed with the virus breaching even the bio-bubbles.

However, as the competition inched closer, things began to improve and restrictions were slowly lifted. It is important to note that the competition, starting Monday, will not be played in a bio bubble and a 50 per cent crowd will be allowed.

"When we were confirmed about these tournaments from ATP, the situation was much better. Things had also opened up, and Omnicorn had not spread so much in the country, but one month ago, it spread like anything and there was a lot of uncertainty about the tournament," said tournament director Sunil Yajaman.

Ramkumar to meet Purcell

With the draws taking place on Saturday, there are interesting match-ups. Prajnesh Gunneswaran will face Frenchman Mathias Bourgue in his opening match. Ramkumar Ramanathan will meet Max Purcell.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

COCHIN UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
Kochi-682022, KERALA, website: admissions.cusat.ac.in
ADMISSION NOTIFICATION - CAT 2022

No. CUSAT/IRAA.A3/21777/Notfn./CAT 2022 Dated 06/02/2022

CUSAT invites applications from eligible candidates for admission to various academic programmes of B.Tech., Integrated M.Sc.(Five year), B.Com LLB, BBA LLB, 3 Year LLB, LLM, B.Voc, M.Sc., M.A., MCA, MBA, MBE, M.F.Sc., M.Voc, M.Tech., Ph.D. etc. of the University for the academic year 2022-23. For MBA, the score of C-MAT(AICTE) or K-MAT(KERALA) or CAT (IIM) is compulsory. For details see the Prospectus 2022 published in the website: admissions.cusat.ac.in.

Online Registration for CAT 2022 (All PG and UG Programmes except Ph.D., M.Tech and Diploma programmes)	8th February to 7th March 2022 (with late fee upto 14/03/2022)
Remittance of fee (online only)	08/02/2022 to 15/03/2022
Online Registration for M.Tech programmes	08/02/2022 to 21/04/2022 (with fine upto 30/04/2022)
Online Registration for seats reserved for international candidates	08/02/2022 to 30/04/2022
Issuance and receipt of applications for Ph.D., Diploma Programmes etc., from the Departments /Schools/Centres concerned	08/02/2022 to 30/04/2022
Downloading of Admit Cards	01/05/2022 to 14/05/2022

Computer Based Test will be conducted on 15th ,16th and 17th May 2022

REGISTRAR (Sd/-)

Agricultural Produce Market Committee, Hunsur
Mysore Road, Hunsur-571105
No.APMC/HUNSUR/333/2021-22 Dated: 02.02.2022

E-TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through E-procurement Portal only)

The Secretary, Agricultural Produce Market Committee, Hunsur hereby invites tenders under e-Tendering two bid system from **Standard Tender Document KG-02 Clause Manufacturers /Principal Authorized Agents/ Distributors** for supply of multi grain cleaning equipment for cleaning grading and packing unit.

Sl.No.1 **Name of equipments:** Multi grain Cleaning, Grading and Packing unit with indicative accessories as listed and it should include all components with Capacity of 1 No 5 TPH unit confirming ISI/ISO standards in Hunsur main market yard **Amount put to tender:** 34-96 lakhs **Emd in rs through e portal:** 70,000-00 **Tender process fee:** As per e-portel **Time limit for supply of equipments:** 30 days **Eligibility for supplier:** As specified in the tender document.

1) Pre bid meeting date and time and place:28.02.2022 11.00 AM. **2)** Tender must be submitted online through e-portal on or before, 05.03.2022 up to 04.30 PM. **3)** Technical Bids will be opened on 08.03.2022 @ 11-00 A.M. Further information may be Obtained from the above office during office hours & also from this office and our web site. **4)** Opening of Financial bid and time: 15.03.2022 (if Possible). The tender condition and stimulation from the obtain in the office hours and are through obtain in the e portal **https://www. eprocurement. kar.nic.in**

Sd/- (O Hampanna) Secretary A P M C Hunsur
Sd/- (M S Subhas) Chairmen A P M C Hunsur

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BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Executive Engineer, Padmanabhanagara Division, Opp. Sagar Hospital, Kumaraswamy Layout, Bengaluru - 560 078.

No: EE(P.N)/TEND/09/2021-22 Dated: 04.02.2022

CORRIGENDUM OF TENDER

Sub: Regarding Postponement of Tender Notification
Ref: Tender Notification No: **EE/(P.N)/TEND/09/2021-22** Dated: **11.01.2022**

With reference to above subject, the notified work in the said reference postponed due to technical reasons. The Tender schedule dates will be published later. Rest no other changes.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Padmanabhanagara Division

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ADMISSION ANNOUNCEMENT-2022
Remote Proctored M.Sc. Online Entrance Examination -2022

I. MASTER OF SCIENCE COURSES

Opening date of downloading the application form(from) : **8th Feb, 2022**
Last date of submission of complete Application form : **19th April, 2022**
Date of Online Remote Proctored Admission test : **22nd May, 2022**
The dates and mode of examination (online/offline) may be changed at the discretion of the university authorities.

a) M.Sc. Forestry (38 Seats): Eligibility : B.Sc. with at least one of the subjects namely Botany, Chemistry, Geology, Mathematics, Physics, Zoology or B.Sc. degree in Agriculture or Forestry.

b) M.Sc. Wood Science & Technology (38 Seats): Eligibility : B.Sc. with Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics (PCM) or B.Sc. degree in Forestry.

c) M.Sc. Environment Management (38 Seats) : Eligibility : B.Sc. degree in any branch of basic or applied Sciences or B.Sc. Degree in Forestry or Agriculture or BE/B. Tech in Environment Science.

d) M.Sc. Cellulose & Paper Technology (20 Seats) : Eligibility : B.Sc. with Chemistry as one of the subjects or BE/B.Tech. (Chemical or Mechanical Engineering). The 2nd year of this course is likely to be conducted at Central Pulp & Paper Research Institute (CPPRI), Saharanpur.

II. PERCENTAGE OF MARKS (in the qualifying examination) : For (a) (b) (c) & (d) Candidates having 50% or above marks in general & OBC category and 45% marks for Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes may apply.

III. RESERVATION : Out of the above, following seats are reserved for: (a) **SC & ST** : 15% and 7.5% respectively (b) **Reservation to OBC** : will be provided as per the policy of GOI (c) **Physically Handicapped** : 3% reservation to the Persons with Disabilities under the Persons with Disabilities (Equal opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995 Chapter No. 39, in **M.Sc. Forestry & M.Sc. Environment Management Courses**, for the candidates with locomotors disabilities one leg, one arms (without mobility restriction) and persons with partial deafness. The candidates will have to produce disability certificate issued by competent authority at the time of counseling for admission. (d) **ICFRE Employee** : 5 seats (supernumerary).

IV. HOW TO APPLY : Candidates can download the application form from the FRI Deemed to be University website **www.fridu.edu.in** and send the duly filled application form alongwith a Bank Draft for Rs. 1500/- (**Rupees One thousand five hundred only**) in favour of Registrar, FRI Deemed to be University payable at Dehradun **and send it to the Registrar, FRI Deemed to be University, P.O. IPE Kaulagarh Road, Dehradun-248 195**. For more details please refer to Information Bulletin-2022 available on University website **www.fridu.edu.in** A candidate who want to apply for two or more courses has to fillup separate form for each course with prescribed fee @ Rs. 1500/-. For any assistance feel free to contact.

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Tender Notification

The Commissioner, Tumakuru City Corporation, Tumakuru invites tenders as per the KTPP act 1999-2000 through e-Procurement portal for Corporation Grant Eligible Contractors with Company Registration can Participate in the Tender For more information go to website: www.tumakuructiy.mrc.gov.in **Description of work (1)** Supply of man power for cleaning jetting and sucking vehicle of PTP and STP storage at 35 wards in Tcc limits. Estimate Cost in **Rs.119.11** Lakhs. EMD in Rs. **1.79** lakhs. Contractors can download and submit the teners through e-Procurement portal www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in. Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) and Tender Processing Fee shall also be paid electronically. Calendar of Events and other information are as follows: **(1)** Date of reciept of Tenders: **07.02.2022 (2)** Last Date for Submission of Tenders : **21.02.2022** at 4.30 pm **(3)** Pre-Bidde Metting:**14.02.2022** at 11.00 am (4) Date of Opening of Tenders (Technical Bids): **22.02.2022** at 4.35 pm **(5)** Date of Opening of Tenders (Financial Bids) : **25.02.2022** at 11.00 AM Postponement of calendar of events (if any) is only e-Procurement portal and will not be published in newspapers.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Tumakur City Corporation Tumakuru

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ಸಂ: ಬೆಂಅಪ್ರಾ/ವಿಭೂಸ್ವಾಅ-6/106/2021-22 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 05.02.2022

ಪತ್ರಿಕಾ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರದಿಂದ ಡಾ.ಕೆ.ಶಿವರಾಮ ಕಾರಂತ ಬಡಾವಣೆ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣಕ್ಕಾಗಿ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಉತ್ತರ (ಅಪರ)/ಯಲಹಂಕ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು, ಹೆಸರಘಟ್ಟ ಹೋಬಳಿಯ ಬ್ಯಾಲಕೆರೆ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಜಮೀನುಗಳನ್ನು ಮಾನ್ಯ ಸರ್ವೋಚ್ಚ ನ್ಯಾಯಾಲಯದ ಸಿವಿಲ್ ಅಪೀಲ್ ನಂ.7661-63/2018 ರಲ್ಲಿನ ಆದೇಶದಂತೆ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನಪಡಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳಲು ಈಗಾಗಲೇ ದಿನಾಂಕ.31.12.2008ರಂದು ಹೊರಡಿಸಿರುವ ಪ್ರಾಥಮಿಕ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆಯಂತೆ ದಿನಾಂಕ.30.10.2018ರಂದು ಅಂತಿಮ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ ಹೊರಡಿಸಲಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ. ಸುಮಾರು ಮೂರು ಸರ್ವೆ ನಂಬರು ಜಮೀನುಗಳಿಗೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದಂತೆ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ 1894ರ ಕಲಂ11ರಡಿ ಏತೀರ್ಮ ಸಹ ಘೋಷಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಘೋಷಣೆ ಮಾಡಲಾದ ಈ ಎಲ್ಲಾ 03 ಪ್ರಕರಣಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಪರಿಹಾರ ಪಡೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳಲು ಬ್ಯಾಲಕೆರೆ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಭೂಮಾಲೀಕರಿಗೆ ಈಗಾಗಲೇ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ 1894ರ ಕಲಂ 12(2)ರಡಿ ನೋಟಿಸ್ ಜಾರಿ ಮಾಡಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ 1894ರ ಕಲಂ12(2)ರಡಿ ಜಾರಿ ಮಾಡಲಾದ ನೋಟಿಸ್‌ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಒಳಗೊಂಡ ಜಮೀನುಗಳ ಮತ್ತು ಅಂತಿಮ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆಯಂತೆ ಭೂಮಾಲೀಕರ ವಿವರ ಹಾಗೂ ಕಂದಾಯ ನಿವೇಶನದಾರರ ವಿವರ ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನಂತೆ ಇರುತ್ತದೆ.

ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು: ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಉತ್ತರ ಅಪರ(ಯಲಹಂಕ) ಹೋಬಳಿ: ಹೆಸರುಘಟ್ಟ ಗ್ರಾಮ: ಬ್ಯಾಲಕೆರೆ

ಕ್ರ. ಸಂ.	ಎಲ್.ಎಸ್ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ	ಅಧಿಸೂಚಿತ ಖಾತೆದಾರರ ಹೆಸರು ಹಾಗೂ ಕಂದಾಯ ನಿವೇಶನದಾರರ ಹೆಸರು	ಸರ್ವೆ ನಂ.	ಹಿಸ್ಸಾ	ಒಟ್ಟು ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣ ಎ - ಗು		ಖರಾಬು ಎ - ಗು		ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಪಡಿಸಿರುವ ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣ ಎ - ಗು		ಏತೀರ್ಮ ಅನುಮೋದನೆಯಾದ ದಿನಾಂಕ (ಆಯುಕ್ತರು /ಉಪ ಆಯುಕ್ತರು (ಭೂಸ್ವಾ) ರವರಿಂದ)	12(2) ನೋಟಿಸ್ ಜಾರಿ ಮಾಡಿರುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ
1	580	Hanumantharayappa S/o Munishamappa, S.G Shamanna S/o Late Gangappa, Nagalakshmi W/o Shamanna, Sowmya D/o Late S.G Shamanna, V.Palaniswamy S/o Late Venkataraju Naidu, P.Rajanna S/o Patalappa, Patalappa S/o Chikkahanumanthappa @ Hotteppa, Nagesha S/o Patalappa, Rathnamma, Puttamma, Neelamma, Puttaraju, Kumar.	30	5	4	10	0	6	4	10	14.01.2022	01.02.2022
2	709	Byranna andRavi (joint), K.M. Venkateshmurthy S/o late Marappa, V.A. Rosy W/o P.K Tony, Shanthamma D/o Late B.Hanumantharayappa, Saraswathamma D/o Late B.Hanumantharayappa, Prabhavathi @ Prabha D/o Late B.Hanumantharayappa, Indira D/o Late B.Hanumantharayappa, K.M Jayaram S/o Late Marappa	90	3	2	31	0	0	2	31	14.01.2022	01.02.2022
3	710	K.M Jayaram s/o late Marappa, K.M.Venkateshmurthy s/o late Marappa	91	-	2	23	0	0	2	23	30.12.2021	01.02.2022

ಆದ್ದರಿಂದ ಬ್ಯಾಲಕೆರೆ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಭೂಮಾಲೀಕರಿಗೆ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ ಕಲಂ12(2)ರಡಿ ಜಾರಿ ಮಾಡಲಾದ ನೋಟಿಸ್‌ಗಳು ಒಂದು ವೇಳೆ ಅವರಿಗೆ ತಲುಪದೇ ಇದ್ದ ಪಕ್ಷದಲ್ಲಿ ಈ ಮೇಲಿನ ಪತ್ರಿಕಾ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಯನ್ನು ನೋಟಿಸ್ ಎಂದು ಭಾವಿಸತಕ್ಕದ್ದು ಮತ್ತು ಮೇಲ್ಕಂಡ ಜಮೀನಿನ ನಗದು ಭೂಪರಿಹಾರ ಅಥವಾ 40:60 ಅನುಪಾತದಲ್ಲಿ ಬರುವ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿಪಡಿಸಿದ ನಿವೇಶನ ರೂಪದ ಪರಿಹಾರವನ್ನು ಪಡೆಯುವ ಸಂಬಂಧ ಮೇಲ್ಕಂಡ ಜಮೀನಿನ ಮೇಲೆ ತಮಗೆ ಇರುವ ಹಕ್ಕು ಸಾಬೀತುಪಡಿಸುವ ಹಕ್ಕು-ದಾಖಲೆಗಳನ್ನು ಈ ಪತ್ರಿಕಾ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕದಿಂದ 30 ದಿನಗಳೊಳಗಾಗಿ ಹಾಜರುಪಡಿಸಲು ತಿಳಿಸಿದೆ. ಅವಶ್ಯವಿರುವ ಹಕ್ಕು ದಾಖಲೆಗಳನ್ನು ಸದರಿ ದಿನಾಂಕದೊಳಗಾಗಿ ಹಾಜರುಪಡಿಸದಿದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ ನಗದು ಭೂಪರಿಹಾರದ ಮೊತ್ತವನ್ನು ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ ಕಲಂ 30, 31(2) ರನ್ವಯ ಮಾನ್ಯ ಸಿಟಿ ಸಿವಿಲ್ ನ್ಯಾಯಾಲಯಕ್ಕೆ ಕಳುಹಿಸಲು ನಿಯಮಾನುಸಾರ ಕ್ರಮವಹಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು ಎಂದು ತಿಳಿಯುವುದು.

ಸಹಿ/- ಪಿ.ಎಂ. ನಂದಿನಿ, ಕೆ.ಎ.ಎಸ್., ವಿಶೇಷ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನಾಧಿಕಾರಿ-6.

A major California gas utility must pay the state nearly $10 million and reimburse customers money it improperly spent on work related to the development of energy efficient building codes.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on Friday continued its endorsement of Moderna's Covid-19 vaccine for adults, now that US regulators have given the shots their full approval

EXFILE • SPACE
FIRST FREE-FLOATING BLACK HOLE DISCOVERED
After searching for more than a decade, astronomers have found a free-floating stellar black hole in the Milky Way Galaxy for the first time
The wandering black hole as seen through Hubble Space Telescope
MYSTERY SOLVED
In January 2021, scientists were puzzled to discover that a galaxy called "A2261-BCG" lost its black hole. Some believed that the black hole did not vanish, but was floating through the space and had slipped to a point where it was no longer visible
THE FRUITION OF A DECADE-LONG HUNT
It was in 2009 that scientists launched efforts to locate a free-floating stellar black hole in the Milky Way Galaxy. A study that year suggested that such a black hole could have ripped apart a star. Research also suggested hundreds of black holes could be freely wandering through the Milky Way Galaxy
It is for the first time that scientists have located a stellar black hole. They are extremely hard to find as they give out no light of their own nor produce detectable X-ray or radio emission
The wandering black hole was found using the Hubble Space Telescope. In their quest to locate rogue black holes, scientists look for a phenomenon called gravitational lensing. It occurs when a massive object such as a black hole or a star creates a gravitational field that causes light passing by to curve
SMALL AND BIG
There are four types of black holes: stellar, intermediate, supermassive, and miniature
Miniature black holes
They are also known as micro-black holes. They have a mass equivalent to three times that of the sun
Intermediate mass black holes
Initially, it was thought that the universe has only two types of black holes — stellar and supermassive. Intermediate black holes are between 100 and 1,000 times heavier than the sun. They are thought to be formed by the merger of two or more individual black holes. The first black hole with intermediate-mass was discovered in 2020
Stellar-mass black holes
They form when a massive star undergoes an explosive death. They have between 10 and 100 times the mass of the sun. However, scientists estimate that the newly-discovered free-floating black hole has roughly seven times the mass of the sun. There could be more than 1 billion such black holes in the Milky Way Galaxy
Supermassive black holes
They are very heavy and can weigh up to 1 billion times the weight of the sun. In fact, they are the largest type of black holes in our universe and are often found at the centre of galaxies
EVEN LIGHT CAN'T ESCAPE
According to NASA, "a black hole is a place in space where gravity pulls so much that even light can not get out"
We can actually prove that isolated black holes are there. It's the tip of the iceberg
Kareem El-Badry, Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics

US Covid deaths hit 9 lakh

One lakh deaths in past two months alone as contagious Omicron variant causes surge in cases

COVID

WASHINGTON: Propelled in part by the wildly contagious Omicron variant, the US death toll from Covid-19 hit 9,00,000 on Friday, less than two months after eclipsing 8,00,000.

The two-year total, as compiled by Johns Hopkins University, is greater than the population of Indianapolis, San Francisco, or Charlotte, North Carolina.

The milestone comes more than 13 months into a vaccination drive that has been beset by misinformation and political and legal strife, though the shots have proved safe and highly effective at preventing serious illness and death.

"It is an astronomically high number. If you had told most Americans two years ago as this pandemic was getting going that 9,00,000 Americans would die over the next few years, I think most people would not have believed it," said Dr Ashish K Jha, dean of the Brown University School of Public Health.

He lamented that most of the deaths happened after the vaccine gained authorisation.

"We got the medical science right. We failed on the social science. We failed on how to help people get vaccinated, to combat disinformation, to not politicize this," Jha said. "Those are the places where we have failed as America."

A critical care nurse receives a Covid-19 vaccination at a hospital in the US | AP

President Joe Biden lamented the milestone in a statement Friday night, saying, "After nearly two years, I know that the emotional, physical, and psychological weight of this pandemic has been incredibly difficult to bear."

He again urged Americans to get vaccinations and booster shots. "Two hundred and fifty million Americans have stepped up to protect themselves, their families, and their communities by getting at least one shot and we have saved more than one million American lives as a result," Biden said.

Just 64 per cent of the population is fully vaccinated, or about 212 million Americans, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Nor is Covid-19 finished with the United States: Jha said the US could reach 1 million deaths by April.

Among the dead is Susan Glister-Berg, 53, of Sterling Heights, Michigan, whose children had to take her off a ventilator just before Thanksgiving after Covid-19 ravaged her lungs and kidneys.

"She's always cared more about people than she did herself. She always took care of everyone," said a daughter, Hali Fortuna. "That's how we all describe her: She cared for everyone. Very selfless."

Glister-Berg, a smoker, was in poor health, and was apparently unvaccinated, according to her daughter. Fortuna just got the booster herself.

"We all want it to go away. I personally don't see it going away anytime soon," she said. "I guess it's about learning to live with it and hoping we all learn to take care of each other better."

The latest bleak milestone came as Omicron is loosening its grip on the country.

New cases per day have plunged by almost a half-million since mid-January, when they hit a record-shattering peak of more than 800,000. Cases have been declining in 49 states in the last two weeks, by Johns Hopkins' count, and the 50th, Maine, reported that confirmed infections are falling there, too, dropping sharply over the past week.

Ice rapidly melting from Everest's highest glacier

CLIMATE

KATHMANDU: Ice on a glacier near the summit of Mount Everest that took millennia to form has shrunk dramatically in the last three decades due to climate change, a new study has shown.

The South Col formation may already have lost around 55 metres (180 feet) of thickness in the last 25 years, according to research led by the University of Maine and published this week by Nature. Carbon dating showed the top layer of ice was around 2,000 years old, suggesting that the glacier was thinning more than 80 times faster than the time it took to form, the study said. At that rate, South Col was "probably going to disappear within very few decades", lead scientist Paul Mayewski told National Geographic.

"It's quite a remarkable transition," he added.

The South Col glacier is around 7,900 metres (26,000 feet) above sea level and a kilometre below the peak of the world's highest mountain.

Other researchers have shown that Himalayan glaciers are melting at an accelerating rate.

As the glaciers shrink, hundreds of lakes have formed in the foothills of Himalayan mountains that could burst and unleash floods.

Nepali climber Kami Rita Sherpa, who has climbed Everest a record 25 times since 1994, told AFP Saturday he had witnessed changes on the mountain firsthand.

People queue near a mobile Covid-19 testing station in Hong Kong on Saturday | AP

HK's 'zero-Covid' policy on the ropes as cases surge

COVID

BEIJING: Hong Kong's authorities on Saturday announced a record number of new infections, sending officials scrambling to ramp up testing capacity and warning that a tightening of virus-control measures could be needed.

Like mainland China and much of East Asia, Hong Kong has long followed a strategy of fighting the virus through contact tracing, targeted lockdowns and lengthy quarantines.

And as much of the world has chosen to open up and live with Covid-19, the city has dug in its heels, with Hong Kong leader Carrie Lam insisting she was still committed to achieving "zero-Covid" even as infections mount.

On Saturday the city recorded 351 confirmed cases, its highest daily figure since the pandemic began, with 161 cases being either untraceable or pending investigation.

"Based on the current growth rate of cases, we estimate that (medical isolation) facilities will soon be unable to quarantine all patients," health chief Sophia Chan told reporters.

Chan urged Hong Kongers to stay at home to slow the spread of the virus, though said that sewage analysis had revealed the virus had already been found in much of the city.

Health officials also said they would loosen rules that have seen thousands of close contacts of infected people detained in a government facility, suggesting they may be able to quarantine at home depending on their risk level.

This would free up hospital beds and take into account the fact that the Omicron variant — which makes up the majority of Hong Kong's new cases — causes milder symptoms, authorities added.

Last month authorities locked down thousands of residents of a public housing estate after a superspreader event, prompting criticism that the city's population density made home quarantine unfeasible.

FACT OF THE MATTER

SLUGGISH CHUTES SPARK CONCERNS

SPACE

SpaceX and NASA are investigating a parachute issue that occurred on the last two capsule flights. One of the four main parachutes was slow to inflate during the return of four astronauts to Earth last November. The same thing happened last week as a Dragon cargo capsule was bringing back science experiments from the ISS. In both cases, the sluggish parachute eventually opened and inflated — although more than a minute late — and the capsules splashed down safely off the Florida coast. Officials for SpaceX and NASA said Friday they want to better understand what's happening, especially before launching another crew in a month or two. They're looking at photographs and inspecting the parachutes for clues.

SEARCH ON FOR LOST SHIPWRECK

EXPLORATION

A South African icebreaker departed on Saturday morning in search of Ernest Shackleton's ship Endurance, which sank off the coast of Antarctica in 1915 after being slowly crushed by pack ice. As part of the renowned polar explorer's Imperial Trans-Antarctic expedition between 1914 and 1917, Endurance was meant to make the first land crossing of Antarctica, but it fell victim to the merciless Weddell Sea. Just east of the Larsen ice shelves on the Antarctic peninsula, it became ensnared in sea-ice for over 10 months before being crushed and sinking some 3,000 metres below the surface. The voyage is something of a legend, due to the miraculous escape of Shackleton and his crew.

Round-the-clock care for Peru's oil-stained sea birds

ENVIRONMENT

LIMA: Hand fed fish and given gentle yet rigorous baths, penguins and other sea birds are slowly regaining their strength at a Peruvian zoo after a major oil spill that claimed many of their friends.

Of about 150 oil-stained birds rescued alive after the January 15 spill of some 12,000 barrels of oil, half later died. The survivors — penguins, cormorants and pelicans — are being nursed back to health and independence at the Parque de Las Leyendas zoo in Lima. With oil on their wings, birds cannot fly or feed, and they lose the insulation they need to keep warm. Even birds not directly contaminated with crude fell ill or died after eating fish that were. At the zoo, the rescued birds are fed fish – for the penguins it is their preferred prey of silverside and anchovies. They are given a special rehydration mixture through a tube, bathed, and dried with a towel.

"Many of them arrived in very bad condition, which makes it difficult for us to handle them," said Giovanna Yepez, one of the rescuers at the zoo.

"The animals were very contaminated... were very stressed," she added. "It is a very hard job." But after two weeks of intensive care, the penguins at least "have tripled their food consumption," said Yepez.

"I believe the penguins are on the right track, they are clean and waiting for the impermeability of their feathers to return so they can be released." Even when the feathers appear clean, the slightest vestige of crude inside the beak "can affect (the bird) through the digestive system, the liver," added veterinarian Giancarlo Inga Diaz.

The spill, described as an "ecological disaster" by the Peruvian government, happened when an Italian-flagged tanker was unloading oil at a refinery off Peru's coast.

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